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WARM WORDS AT SCHOOL INQUIRY

INDIGNANT PARENTS BEFORE THE TRUSTEES

Complain That Principal Deane Placed Boy in Hands of Police--Matter Under Investigation.

There is an investigation in progress before the board of school trustees which involves the right of the teacher to call in the assistance of the police in instances where valuable property is missing and cannot be recovered, without first informing the parents of their intention. Those implicated in the matter now under consideration are George H. Deane, principal of Victoria West school; Miss Pope, a member of the staff of that institution; Mr. and Mrs. Brown, parents of Ray Burton, the innocent cause of all the trouble. The story, briefly told, is that of a stolen watch, which had been left lying on her desk by Miss Pope; a fruitless search, the examination of all members of the class concerned, Mr. Deane's suspicion of the child Ray Burton founded on the latter's actions and other incidents, the calling of the police and the detaining of Burton by Detective Palmer after the others had departed for lunch, and, finally, the discovery that the boy was entirely innocent of the theft of the watch, it having been taken by a girl whose name has not been divulged. Burton's parents, thereupon, claimed redress, placing the matter in the hands of counsel, J. Stuart Yates, and demanding a public hearing.

For this purpose the trustees gathered together earlier than usual last evening and the matter was introduced by the appended self-explanatory letter from Mr. Yates:

Victoria, B. C., March 1st, 1906.

To the Board of School Trustees of the City of Victoria:

Ladies and Gentlemen:--I have been instructed by Mrs. G. H. Brown, of Craigflower road, to lay a complaint on her behalf before you on account of the treatment accorded her son Ray, a child of seven years old, by Mr. Deane, teacher of the Victoria West school, on the 14th. ultimo.

It appears that Miss Pope, a teacher in that school, had lost her watch, and Mr. Deane after a very cursory investigation of the matter placed the child in the hands of the police under the accusation of being a thief, without any notification whatever to his parents. The child was subjected to such threats and treatment that his nerves have been thoroughly shattered. The charge was found on investigation to be baseless, but the injury done to the child and his reputation among his fellow pupils and to his parents has not been repaired.

I have to request on behalf of Mrs. Brown that a thorough investigation into the whole circumstances of the case, and Mr. Deane's action in the matter, be made at the next public session of your board. Mrs. Brown desires to be present thereat, and would feel obliged if you would kindly notify her of the time and place thereof.

I am, yours truly,

J. STUART YATES.

There were present Chairman Huggett and Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Lewis, Mowat, and Dr. Hall, Supt. Eaton, Principal Deane, Mr. and Mrs. Brown and their counsel, Mr. Yates.

After some consideration it was decided to ask Mr. Deane for his version of the affair. The latter, when called upon, gave a clear and lucid account of the occurrence. He told of the disappearance of the watch from Miss Pope's room, of the latter reporting the matter to him and of the steps taken to locate the missing article. The persons of the children had been closely examined, in the course of which the fact that a watch had been lost was never mentioned. As a result he had been impressed with the suspiciousness of Burton's actions. This, together with the recollection of several incidents with which the child had been connected, seemed to point in that direction. Then when the pupils were ordered from the room in order that their desks might be searched the boy had slipped underneath before leaving, something which appeared to confirm him in his opinion.

Mr. Deane, continuing, said he realized the delicateness of the situation. For that reason he had never said anything about a watch in his first examinations. He couldn't get any definite evidence, however, and the matter was allowed to drop for a few days. He had then decided to report the matter to the police, believing that they could perhaps find the lost article, and, in fact, handle the case much more capably and with as much discretion as any outsider. It was in his mind that the watch might be located in a pawn shop.

Mrs. Brown here interjected the exclamation: "A baby take a watch to the pawn shop!" throwing infinite scorn into her voice.

It was reported later, Mr. Deane went on, that the Burton boy had been seen displaying Miss Pope's watch to a milkman.

At this Mrs. Brown pointed to an empty case attached to a nickel chain lying on the table. That, she said, was what the boy had and the nearest approach to a watch ever in his possession.

Detective Palmer, Mr. Deane said, had arrived at the school at noon and had gone to Miss Pope's room. Here he found him, later on, questioning the Burton child. He had the empty watch case in his hands and was working upon the theory that the pupil had secured it by trading away the lost one. The police officer had been unable to arrive at any conclusion. He understood he had taken steps to ascertain the correctness of the story of the milkman and the watch.

Next morning the watch had been returned and later on Mr. Brown had called at the school with a written statement which he wanted him to sign. After reading it he had refused. He then went to Miss Pope and the latter affixed her signature to the document without knowing that he had declined to do so and unaware of the character of the contents. Miss Pope had since withdrawn her approval.

Mr. Brown made a most emphatic statement at this juncture. It was a case of the boy or Mr. Deane leaving the school. He was not surprised to see the latter sheltering behind Miss Pope.

The principal indignantly denied such an accusation. When he had reported to the police he accused nobody.

It was asserted by Mr. Brown that his boy had been taken out of the class and handed over to the police.

Mr. Yates added that somebody must have singled out this particular child. He couldn't have been subjected to a cross-examination by the detective without the consent of the principal or a teacher. Therefore it would be necessary to ask for Miss Pope's appearance because if the principal wasn't to blame the onus of the action lay on other shoulders.

Mr. Deane wanted it thoroughly understood that he took the full responsibility for calling in the police. He claimed that no teacher had given the pupil into the hands of the police. Miss Pope had simply communicated the reports in reference to the Burton child to the detective. The latter then interrogated the boy in the usual way. He had not been arrested.

Mr. Brown, emphatically, "He was."

Supt. Eaton then read a letter from Detective Palmer clearly stating that the child had not been under arrest.

Mr. Brown further asserted that Mr. Deane had told him that he was ashamed of the scandalous manner in which the detective had dealt with the child and had had to remonstrate with him.

To this Mr. Deane gave an emphatic denial.

Mr. Brown retorted hotly, calling Mr. Deane a prevaricator, using a much stronger term to express his meaning. Trustee Jay, at this juncture, poured oil upon the troubled waters by gently stating that as the statement was an important one it should be made in writing and then the evidence of the detective and others concerned might be secured corroborating it or otherwise.

It was finally agreed that the investigation should adjourn until this afternoon, when Miss Pope and others will be heard.

THE PASSING OF UNCLE SAM'S COIN

WILL BE REPLACED BY CANADIAN SILVER

Arrangements Being Made For Shipment of United States Currency to New York.

A short time ago the Times announced that a sweep of United States silver from Canada would begin on March 1st. The idea is to replace it with Canadian coinage, which would give a substantial seignorage profit to the Dominion government. It is estimated that there is eight hundred thousand dollars' worth of United States silver in circulation in this country. Were this replaced by Canadian currency the profit that would be reaped by the federal authorities would be approximately $400,000.

The manager of the Bank of Montreal has received from the Canadian clearing house instructions regarding the shipment of United States coins, and doubtless the management of the other banks will receive similar information in the course of a few days.

The Dominion government has made arrangements with the Bank of Montreal in New York to receive all United States currency at face value. This will be credited to the receiver-general without any charge being made for shipping. When a bank ships to New York it will receive the equivalent in Canadian coinage from the nearest receiver-general.

No shipments have been made from this point yet, but it is quite likely that the initial instalment will be sent forward by the local banks in the near future.

For the silver turned in the banks will receive a commission of three-eighths of one per cent. The replacing of American by Canadian silver will unquestionably take time, but it is altogether likely that the upshot of the movement will be the imposition of a discount on the foreign currency, just as Canadian money is subject to discount on the other side.

SPELLING REFORM.

Andrew Carnegie's Movement Finds Little Favor With British Authors.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 14.—Andrew Carnegie's spelling reform movement finds little favor with British authors. Many opinions on the subject are published this morning, mostly opposed to the innovation and others admitting that the ideas are worthy of consideration. Charles Algernon Swinburne describes the movement as a "monstrous, barbarous absurdity."

AMENDMENTS IN MUNICIPAL ACT

SOME CHANGES MADE BY THE LEGISLATURE

New Measure Will Come Into Effect in June—A Few of the Changes.

At the sitting of the legislature just closed the Municipal Clauses Act was consolidated and amended. The changes introduced in the act were not very radical, but several of them affect this city, and residents will be interested to know what the changes are.

The city council of Victoria is limited to the Mayor and not more than ten aldermen, nor less than five. The object in making this change was to allow of the redistribution of the city into wards allowing five of these if deemed wise. With only nine aldermen it was impossible to have more than three wards.

Power was given to municipal councils to alter the number of members on the board. In city municipalities the councils may be increased to eleven members, including the mayor, or they may be decreased to six. In rural municipalities the councils may be increased to eight or decreased to five.

The first meeting of the new council in each year is fixed for the third Monday in each year.

Provision is made for the appointment of an acting mayor by the council in the absence of the mayor. The acting mayor is given all the power which ordinarily belong to the mayor.

In the section dealing with the right to reclaim lands and to deal with them for city purposes, it is specified by an amendment introduced this year that the municipality shall have the power to arrange for public recreation buildings. This amendment was introduced at the suggestion of the city of Victoria, and was intended to cover a case like that of the building proposed on the James Bay reclaimed lands.

Municipalities are also given the power to regulate the sale and the driving of animals through the public streets.

Under the power given to carry out works upon the requisition of the owners of one half of the assessable land values fronting upon the street is included that of extending the water mains.

In connection with the dog taxes which may be levied, a slight change was made affecting those who may own a number of dogs. Any one owning more than five dogs may be held to own a kennel, and the tax imposed shall not exceed $10.

Under the permission given to councils to license and regulate plumbers, provision is made for a board of examiners of and the granting of certificates of efficiency to master plumbers and to journeyman plumbers, and to prohibit plumbing being done by persons not possessing such certificates, or carrying on their business contrary to the by-law. The provision dealing with boards of examiners and the issuing of certificates to plumbers is not to apply to district or township municipalities, nor to cities of less than 5,000.

Councils are given the power to regulate the keeping of poultry, and are given the power to define the limits within which the same may be kept.

The act is made clear with respect to the collecting of annual taxes from fire insurance companies. A fire insurance company which is "doing business and taking risks" is to be subject to the tax. In the past it was pointed out that there had been disputes with respect to companies which did not establish offices in a city, but conducted business by a travelling agent. This section as amended will overcome the difficulty.

The principle of the referendum in a limited way has been introduced. It is contained in the following section:

For obtaining the opinion of the electors of the municipality, at the time of the holding of annual elections, should the council of the municipality deem it desirable so to do, or on a petition signed by at least one-fifth of the total number of voters on the current year's list of those entitled to vote for mayor, submit any question affecting the general public welfare, or any proposed innovation or alteration of any by-law, or for obtaining at any time the assent of the electors upon the voters' list for the year to any proposed by-law (other than a by-law for raising money upon the credit of the municipality), and for regulating the mode of so obtaining the opinion, or assent, or vote of such municipal electors.

Power is given the municipal council to make a grant to a tourist association. There is also the power given to the council to appropriate money towards the reception and entertainment of distinguished visitors. The amount for the latter purpose is limited to $1,000 in cities of 20,000 inhabitants or more, and to $500 in smaller places.

The hours during which the poll is to be kept open in a vote on a by-law is now made to conform to the rule in force with respect to the election of mayor and aldermen. The hours were formerly shorter for a by-law which gave considerable trouble on election day.

The following section has been amended:

Notwithstanding anything contained in any act to the contrary, no person shall be entitled to vote upon any by-law for raising money upon the credit of the municipality, or any by-law to which the assent of the electors is necessary, unless he or she is the assessed owner of land or real property in such municipality.

It has been amended by adding to it the following words, "according to the revised assessment roll as added to or altered under the provision of section 136 hereof up to five clear days before the day of voting on the by-law."

The wild land tax rate permitted to be charged by municipalities is put at 4 per cent. instead of 2½ per cent. as formerly.

There were considerable changes made in the law respecting delinquent taxation so as to make the Municipal Act conform to the provincial act on this subject. The rate of interest to be charged on the amount of taxation overdue is fixed at 8 per cent. instead of 6 per cent. as formerly. The advertising rate is fixed at the same rate as under the provincial act. The charge for advertising each parcel is limited to $1 in a newspaper, and $1 for other expenses.

A restaurant license may be made to cover the supply of spirits.

The fee to be collected from hawkers or peddlars is limited to $50 each six months. This is a very radical reduction, the old fee being limited to $250.

District and township municipalities are to be given the power to collect $10 for every six months from corporations or trades.

In conformity with the act introduced by Hon. F. Carter Cotton to limit the licenses to hotels, etc., it is provided in the Municipal Clauses Act that in cities this same rule shall apply. The number of licenses is to be limited to 3 for the first 500 inhabitants and one additional for every 1,000 additional population. This will not interfere with existing licenses.

In order to settle a question as to the right of municipalities to pay for the keep of its prisoners confined in provincial jails, it is specified in the act that each municipality shall pay at the rate of 50c. a day for each person convicted in the municipality.

A rather radical change has been made in connection with collections under the local improvement by-law. At present it has been found to be difficult to estimate and assess the exact amount required in each case. The consequence has been that supplementary estimates were necessary or refunds of small amounts.

The amendment introduced by W. G. Cameron will permit the council to borrow money for the work obtaining advances. The special assessment may be made on the completion of the work.

Councils may appoint three park commissioners who are not members of the council to act with those appointed from the council.

The act comes into effect June 14th, 1906.

RESIGNATION IS NOW MADE PUBLIC

ATTORNEY-GENERAL QUITS THE MINISTRY

The Provincial Secretary Will Probably Fill the Position For Some Little Time.

The session of the legislature being over, the resignation of the attorney-general, Hon. Chas. Wilson, has come to light. When Hon. Mr. Wilson left for Ottawa on private business in the midst of the heaviest part of the session there was a prophecy made about the legislature that he would never again be seen in the attorney-general's seat in the House.

Mr. Wilson and his colleagues did not see eye-to-eye on the Columbia & Western bill, which was then prepared and ready for presentation to the House. It is even said that he was with difficulty restrained from making his position clear on the floor of the House on this question. Had he been a private member instead of a member of the government he would assuredly have taken this course.

For the sake of the party, however, the attorney-general refrained from an open split, and consented to withdraw from the scene, taking advantage of the opportunity to go East on private business as a blinder until the session closed. His resignation, however, it is understood, was then handed in on the understanding that the premier, for the advantage of the party, might keep it back until the House rose.

The time has now come, and the resignation is in and accepted. When Hon. Mr. Wilson left for the East his place was filled by Hon. F. J. Fulton, the provincial secretary. The latter will likely continue to fill the position, thus avoiding the necessity for opening any constituency at the present time. With the Kaien Island investigation fresh in the minds of the people and the Columbia & Western deal just consummated, it is deemed absolutely certain that if any seat in the province were opened the result would be a signal defeat for the government. So fearful is the premier of the consequences of an appeal to the country that he may find it necessary, according to reports, to postpone a general election, which he has had in view.

Although there are many applicants for the vacancy in the cabinet, the government will likely leave the situation as it is at present for a little time. W. J. Bowser is believed to have his eye on the attorney-generalship, and W. Ross would not pass it by if it were offered. To make a selection of a provincial secretary would be a more trying task, for the number of applicants would then be multiplied. Almost every Conservative member, including the latest to enter the House, W. Manson, and even Harry Wright, would be ready to advance claims to that place.

C. Wilson will continue to represent Vancouver in the legislature.

UNITED MINE WORKERS MEET

WILL DISCUSS THE QUESTION OF WAGES

More Than One Thousand Delegates are Present at the Conference at Indianapolis.

(Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., March 15.—The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America opened here to-day in the German house with over one thousand delegates, representing 1,461 locals. The convention has been called by President Mitchell to consider action which may result in an agreement with the coal operators that will prevent a general strike, that would bring 25,000 men from the mines on April 1st. The conference with the operators will begin here Monday next.

When the last convention of the mine workers adjourned on February 2nd, following a joint conference with the operators, which had failed to arrive at a wage agreement, a strike on April 1st was inevitable unless something should intervene.

At that convention the miners demanded an increase of wages of 12½ per cent advance for yardage and deadwork, prohibiting the employment of boys under 16 years of age, an eight hour day, a one year contract, and a run of mine basis. The miners also adopted a resolution offered by Mr. Ryan, of Illinois, that no district should sign a wage agreement until all the districts signed. This action, known as the Ryan resolution,

Will Come Before the Convention

for action. Unless it is rescinded the bituminous miners cannot sign a wage agreement until the anthracite miners sign an agreement with their operators. The operators on the other hand, demanded a reduction of from 10 to 15 per cent. protection against stampede strikes and a better system of adjudicating local troubles.

Since the adjournment of the former convention and joint conference President Mitchell has conferred with F. L. Robbins and other leaders of the operators and following the reception of a letter from President Roosevelt addressed to both Mr. Robbins and Mr. Mitchell, the miners' president called for a joint conference. It was announced at the time the call was issued that Mr. Robbins and other operators had made an offer to restore the wage scale of two years ago, which would be an advance of 5.55 per cent. over the present scale.

When the convention met to-day differences that have appeared to exist between President Mitchell and Vice-President Lewis were apparently laid aside and it was the expressed wish of both officials that

Personal Matters Should Not Interfere

with the more important work of the convention in order that the miners might present a united front.

The first business of the convention was the work of organization and the greater part of the day was taken up with credentials of the delegates.

CONGO STATE.

Statements Attributed to Belgian Minister Brought to Attention of Foreign Secretary.

(Associated Press.)

London, March 15.—Statements attributed to the Belgian minister at Washington, Baron Moncheur, and the Belgian consul in Chicago, C. Henrotin, putting political and sordid motives to British criticism of the administration of the Congo independent state form questions in the House of Commons to-day. Charles P. Trevelyan (Liberal) drew the attention of Foreign Secretary Grey to the alleged utterances, and invited the secretary to take steps to "dissipate the impression which such statements may have created in America." In reply Sir Edward Grey said he had not heard the statements, but if they had been made they were quite untrue.

PECULIAR ACCIDENT.

Runaway Engine on the Canadian Pacific Railway.

Winnipeg, March 14.—A railway accident of a peculiar nature occurred on the main line of the Canadian Pacific, a short distance west of Whitewood, about midnight on Monday. An engine proceeding eastward was left standing on the siding at Broadview while the crew went to lunch. During the absence of the engineer and the fireman, the back pressure of steam apparently blew the throttle open, and the big engine started on its way eastward with no one on board. It continued its journey east a distance of 13 miles. At about 2 o'clock the runaway was struck by the engine of transcontinental train No. 2, proceeding eastward from the Coast. A large passenger list was being carried by No. 2, but no one was injured. The official account says that the engine left the track at the switch and the tender became detached, went on its side. The engine proper remounted the rail and proceeded, running out on the main line until the collision occurred.

WILL OPEN OFFICE.

Calgary, March 14.—The Bradstreet Company, who have had a representative stationed here for some time, have decided to open a fully equipped office. This move on their part is greatly appreciated, not only by the local bankers and wholesalers, but also by all that trade which is more or less tributary to Calgary.

CHAUNCEY DEPEW'S CONDITION

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 15.—Dr. John P. Munn, physician to Senator Chauncey M. Depew, who is ill at his home in this city, denied last night that the conditions of his patient was critical. He added: "Senator Depew's present indisposition is, I believe, only temporary."

FRANCIS KOSSUTH ILL.

Condition of Hungarian Leader Is Causing Anxiety.

(Associated Press.)

Buda Pest, Hungary, March 15.—The condition of Francis Kossuth, leader of the united opposition in the Hungarian diet, is causing anxiety to his friends. He is suffering from an attack of gout. This was complicated yesterday by heart trouble which caused the patient to lose consciousness several times during last night.

HOT METAL EXPLODED.

Eight Workmen Terribly Burned and Several of Them May Die.

(Associated Press.)

Pittsburg, Pa., March 15.—An explosion of hot metal in the converting mill of the Edgar Thomson steel works at Braddock, Pa., to-day, resulted in serious injuries to eight workmen. All were terribly burned by the molten metal and a number may die. The explosion occurred while the men were at work in the pit.

TURKISH MARSHAL RETREATS.

Resigns Command, Being Unable to Crush Yemen Rebels Owing to Failure of Transports.

London, March 14.—The Times correspondent at Constantinople says it is reported that Marshal Ahmed Fez Pasha, commander of the Turkish troops in Yemen, after prolonged but useless sorties with 10,000 men, has retreated on Sanaa and has asked to be relieved from his command, despairing of being able to crush the rebels, owing to the failure of his transport service. The resignation has been accepted.

Marshal Ahmed Fez Pasha has been in command of the entire forces operating in the Arabian province of Yemen since May of last year. In the following July he defeated the rebels at Menakhl, but the victory was not a decisive one and was followed by a demand for reinforcements.

The rebellion, which has been in progress for about twelve years, gained headway last month, when the rebels occupied Jebel Doran and surrounding Amran.

THE IMPRISONED UNION OFFICIALS

INDUSTRIAL WORKERS HELD MASS MEETING

Passed Resolutions Protesting Against Arrest of Men Charged With Murder of Former Governor.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 15.—The Industrial Workers of the World, the new labor organization, in joint conference with the Socialist labor party, held parades and a mass meeting at the plaza on Union square last night to protest against the arrest of Charles H. Moyer, president, Charles D. Haywood, secretary, and Pettibone, and St. John, members of the Western Federation of Miners, relative to the killing of ex-Governor Steuenburg, of Idaho.

About 2,000 persons took part in the parade through the East side and attended the joint mass meeting at the plaza. Red flags were carried by the paraders and one of the transparencies read, "Our brothers, Moyer, Haywood, Pettibone and St. John must not be murdered; show the master classes your spirit."

Resolutions denouncing the arrest of the officers and members of the Western Federation of Miners were adopted.

OIL AND COAL.

Interstate Commerce Commission Will Continue Its Investigations.

Kansas City, Mo., March 14.—The Interstate commerce commission to-day completed its investigations into the methods of the Standard Oil Company and the railroads in dealing with the independent dealers of Kansas. The committee adjourned to meet at a time and place to be designated later. Commissioner Cockrell said to-night: "This is just a start. We will go to Washington and investigate the oil and coal business. We must secure a great deal of information from the railroads. The question of ownership of the railroads must be settled. The trouble will come when we undertake to learn the ownership of all three concerns."

GUILTY OF CONSPIRACY.

Cripple Creek, Colo., March 15.—The jury in the district court yesterday returned a verdict finding John Varley, alias Crowley, guilty of conspiracy to defraud the Northern Mutual Life Insurance Company of $3,000 by blowing up a body in the Three Jacks tunnels and collecting the money upon a policy issued to his partner, McEachern.

"Yes, his delicacy of touch is quite marvellous." "Ah, a pianist?" "No; a society journalist."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

CANADIAN TRADE CONTINUES TO GROW

THE RETURNS FOR THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS

In Exports There Was an Increase of More Than Sixteen Million Dollars.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 15.—There was an increase in the foreign trade of Canada for the eight months ending with February of $51,617,264 over the same time last year. There was an increase in the imports and exports and every branch of trade contributed to this great growth of business throughout the Dominion. The total imports and exports for the past eight months were $358,277,966, compared with $306,760,702 for the same time last year. The imports were $178,069,635, an increase of $25,504,319, and the exports $182,208,331, an increase of $16,012,945. There is an increase of about one and a half million in the mine, four millions in the fisheries, nearly three millions in the forest, four and a half millions in animals and their products, nearly fifteen millions in agriculture, and nearly two millions in manufacturers. This surpasses any previous trade statement issued by the customs department.

CANAL TRAFFIC.

Return Issued by the United States Department of Commerce and Labor.

(Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., March 15.—The United States department of commerce and labor to-day issued a statement saying that the domestic freight traffic of the Detroit river has for the first time been fully measured and the reports filed with the department covering the season of lake navigation of 1905 shows a total of 52,629,086 net tons of domestic freight traffic, of which 29,991,685 tons was southbound. This is largely due to the enormous eastbound tonnage of iron ore from the upper lake ports to ports along the southern shore of Lake Erie for rail shipment to the iron and steel districts of southwestern Pennsylvania. The freight traffic through the canals at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and Ontario during the same period aggregated 44,770,680 net tons, of which 36,770,738 was southbound. During the lake season of 1905 the differences between the amount of freight carried through the Detroit river and the Soo canals amounted to 9,868,406 tons in favor of the former route, the total through freight traffic of the Welland canal showing the volume of traffic between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario aggregated in 1905 the last available date, 978,807 tons, of which only 253,212 was upbound.

CARUSO MAY COME.

World Famous Tenor Will Tour Country After New York Season.

Despite the fact that Victoria is described by certain angry enthusiasts as flying along at a tremendous rate towards musical retrogression, genuine pleasure will be felt by local play-goers at the announcement of the likelihood of a visit by Eurico Caruso, the world famous tenor, probably at the close of his present season under the benevolent guardianship of Herr Conried of the metropolitan home of grand opera in New York. Caruso is expected to visit the Pacific coast, and if he comes as far as Seattle there is no reason why he should not be induced to continue his tour across the straits. Caruso is in an altogether different sphere from that in which the lady who recently sang here moves. There are many Gadskis enchanting the public and they are not all in grand opera either, in fact Mr. Hammerstein, of New York, could doubtless lay his finger on a few who have sung under him in vaudeville. But there is only one Caruso, not excepting even Jean de Rezske, and there is little doubt that he would draw a crowded house. There has been a disposition to compare the reception accorded Gadski here with that tendered to Calve in Vancouver to the detriment of Victoria. Such a comparison, those in a position to know point out, is absurd, for the simple reason that Calve is infinitely a greater artiste, has a much wider fame, and a personality that is an undying advertisement. Gadski is incapable of shining in Calve's sphere.

MINES SOLD.

Sunshine Group at Alberni Purchased By Hugh Cecil.

"The Sunshine group of mines, lying just above the Southern Cross group on the Alberni canal, have been acquired by Hugh Cecil for an English company. The deal was completed last evening in Nanaimo, and is except in details complete," says the Nanaimo Herald. "The terms are cash, and work will begin in erecting buildings, etc., for the force of men that will be put to work immediately.

"The purchase of this group of mines, added to the Southern Cross, makes Mr. Cecil's company the owners of 20 claims in a body.

"The Sunshine group was owned by L. Manson and others in Nanaimo. The ore will be sent to the Tyee smelter at Ladysmith for treatment, eventually a concentrating plant will be erected on the ground."

BANK OF ENGLAND RATE.

London, March 15.—The rate of discount of the Bank of England remain unchanged to-day at 4 per cent.

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Additional Details Regarding the Gallantry of the Men of the Bostonian and Mannheim.

Boston, March 14.—Suffering mental and physical, and numerous acts of heroism in saving life, rarely exampled in the grim record of tragedies of the sea, attended the loss of the Phoenix line steamer British King, which on Sunday last, in a raging Atlantic storm foundered about 150 miles south of Sable island, and carried to death 27 members of the crew. Thirteen men were rescued from the sinking vessel by the Leyland line steamer Bostonian, which arrived here to-day from Manchester, and 11 by the German tank steamer Mannheim, Rotterdam, for New York. Five others, who had been sucked down in the vortex in which the British King was engulfed were picked up by the Bostonian from a

Frail Bit of Wreckage,

which they had grasped after a desperate struggle for life in the whirlpool.

Captain James O'Hagan, of the British King, died on board the Bostonian from the effects of the terrible injuries sustained in trying to save his ship.

The rescued brought here to-day include James Flanigan, the second officer; J. D. Crawford, the chief engineer; Adolph Beck, the fourth engineer, and Wm. J. Curry, the steward. The others were coal passers and sailors, mostly Belgians, and one stowaway, Henry Parkotch, of New York. Two lifeboats from the Bostonian were crushed to fragments, and the volunteer crews which manned them were thrown into the running sea, but all were safely landed on board the steamer.

The first lifeboat lowered from the Bostonian was swept against the ship's stern and destroyed. Several of the seamen were hurt, but were rescued by lines thrown out from their steamer. A second attempt to reach the sinking ship was successful, and 13 men, including Capt. O'Hagan, were taken to the Bostonian. Then again, a powerful billow crushed the lifeboat against the side of the ship, and lifesavers were thrown into the sea, to be rescued only after an hour's effort by their comrades.

Volunteers from the Mannheim, after heroic battle with the waves, had taken off 11 from the British King, but after this, neither of the steamers, in consequence of the increasing gale, could make an attempt to reach the foundering freighter. Then darkness fell, and the British King, then waterlogged and helpless, plunged down, bow first, and disappeared.

The Bostonian and the Mannheim stood by the scene of the wreck until Monday morning, but no bodies were recovered.

The ill-fated steamer sailed from New York last Wednesday, bound for Antwerp with a miscellaneous cargo and 150 head of cattle. The passage was uneventful until Friday morning, when the ship was struck by a strong northwesterly wind, which developed into a hurricane.

On Friday in the height of the tempest the deck load of oil barrels and all deck fittings

Were Carried Overboard.

The barrels and wreckage forming into a powerful ram, were driven down upon the steamer's sides with crushing force, opening up her plates and allowing the water to pour into her hold.

The extent of the leak was not understood until the following day, when although all hands were placed at the pumps, the water gained considerably, extinguishing the fires, rendering the engines useless.

The rudder had held for a time enabling Capt. O'Hagan to steady his ship, but soon this too was swept away, the men suffered from lack of sleep and hunger, and injuries received, by being tossed forward and backwards on the vessel's deck.

At 6 o'clock Sunday morning Capt. O'Hagan sighted the Mannheim and shortly afterwards the Bostonian. While preparing to lower the boats the Mannheim signalled to the Bostonian that the British King was in distress, and Capt. Perry, of the Bostonian, immediately altered his course and ran down as close as safety would permit. The British King signalled that she was waterlogged, and would have to be abandoned.

At 8 o'clock she sent another signal which read: "Do not abandon me."

Previous to this every small boat from the British King had been demolished. The half hundred or more men of the wrecked steamer were in plain view of those on board the Bostonian and Mannheim, who could, however, do nothing at the time in the way of rescue, since it would have been suicide to launch a boat in the heavy sea.

At 1.40 p.m. the British King signalled: "Help us; we are sinking." A slight moderation of the weather permitted the Mannheim to lower a boat in charge of a volunteer crew which, after a

Most Perilous Row

to the British King, rescued 11 of the latter's crew.

Some of the freighter's men jumped into the water and were pulled out by the volunteer crew. Sailors of the Bostonian vied with each other for the honor of sitting in the lifeboat and were not deterred when the first boat was dashed to pieces against the steamer's stern. The first officer, Wm. Brown, and the six seamen with him, were left struggling in the water, but were rescued by means of lines thrown from the ship.

A great cheer went up from the Bostonian when at 4 o'clock the starboard lifeboat put out in charge of Second Officer Cromwell, and manned by the steward and four sailors.

They took off 13 men, including Capt. O'Hagan, who was tenderly but hastily lowered by his men by means of a line from the stern, and returned to the Bostonian when the rescued seamen were placed on board. But before the life-savers could climb to the deck, a quick forming sea hurled the frail craft against the side of the steamer, smashing the small boat, and the water receding, carried the volunteers some hundred feet distant from their ship.

Cheering Cries

reached them to cling to the wreckage while the Bostonian started and the ship, manoeuvered to a point near the struggling seamen. Again the lines used with skill and success, for all the volunteers were hoisted to the ship's deck, though Officer Cromwell was almost drowned. Weakened from exposure he lost his hold on the life line and for a second time he was plunged into the sea. He appeared on the surface, however, and grasped the second line, which he wound twice around his body, and by which he was drawn up to his ship.

Capt. Perry deemed it imprudent to send another boat to the wreck as darkness was setting in, and decided to wait until the moon rose before continuing the work of rescue.

About 11 o'clock, when the gale was running with apparently reinforced velocity, the British King was seen to stagger in the trough of the sea, and then with her bow pointed down passed from sight.

There remained a floating mass of wreckage and a number of cattle, which swam about helplessly. The Mannheim and the Bostonian steamed to the point where the ship had foundered, and it had just been decided that all left on board had perished, when a feeble cry from the darkness told them some at least had not been drowned.

Half an hour later Capt. Perry, of the Bostonian, located a small section of a cattle deck to which five men were clinging. These were Second Officer Flanigan, Chief Engineer Crawford, Adolphus Beck, fourth engineer, and two cattlemen. They had been carried down with the steamer, but after coming to the surface had, after mightly efforts, succeeded in swimming beyond the whirlpool and finding a temporary refuge upon a slender bit of wreckage.

All night and until 7.30 a.m. on Sunday both the Mannheim and the Bostonian stood by searching for bodies, and then concluding that all had been done in the way of rescue, both ships resumed their passage.

Yesterday, after terrible suffering, Capt. O'Hagan succumbed to his injuries.

Fifty-six men, including the stowaway, were on board the British King, and 27 of these it is deemed almost certain perished with their ship.

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ALLEGED CONSPIRACY

To Kill Rev. Dr. Parkhurst Who Has Been Prominent as Police Reformer.

New York, March 14.—The report of an alleged plot to kill Rev. Dr. Chas. H. Parkhurst, who for years has been prominent as a police reformer, was made public to-day.

It is understood that the district attorney's office are prepared to summon several witnesses in connection with the plot, which is said to have originated because of a raid made upon a disorderly house by agents of Parkhurst Society some years ago. According to the report a man has been hired to club Dr. Parkhurst at the first opportunity presenting itself. Dr. Parkhurst to-day refused either to confirm or deny the report.

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THE PHILIPPINE FIGHT.

General Wood's Answer to Critics Is Entirely Satisfactory.

Washington, March 14.—A cablegram from General Wood regarding criticism of the recent battle of Mount Dajo, on the Island of Jolo, together with correspondence between the President and Secretary of War Taft on the subject, were made public to-day.

General Wood's cablegram was in answer to one sent to him at the direction of Secretary Taft, who called attention to the criticisms of "wanton slaughter of Moros," and asked him to send all the particulars.

General Wood's reply denies that there was any wanton killing, and says a considerable number of women and children were killed in the fight because they were actually in the works when it was assaulted, and that Moro women wore trousers and that children were used as shields. The reply was sent by Secretary Taft to the President with a note, in which the secretary says that General Wood's answer seems to him to show most clearly that the unfortunate loss of life was wholly unavoidable, to which the President replied that General Wood's answer "is of course entirely satisfactory."

DEADLOCK AT ALGECIRAS.

Delegates Unable to Solve Problem and Sessions Are Temporarily Suspended.

Algeciras, March 14.—The Moroccan conference has reached a peculiar stage. It is completely helpless to solve the deadlock which has arisen over the remaining details of the police and bank questions. The sessions are temporarily suspended without knowing when they will be summoned. The French and German delegates are bound by their instructions, and therefore unable to make any further concessions, and the conference not having judicial or legislative powers cannot settle the differences by a majority. It remains for the governments themselves to intervene.

Will Not Yield.

Berlin, March 14.—This is regarded here as the critical period of the Algeciras conference. The German government, through diplomatic channels, is expressing to the powers not directly concerned in the controversy its determination to yield no further. Germany depends to some extent on the advice of the neutral powers to persuade France to accept the irriducible minimum contained in the Austrian proposals, although the precise functions of the international inspectorship will be subject to regulations yet to be agreed upon. King Edward, it is asserted here, is exerting his personal influence with the United States in an effort to induce them to become conciliatory.

PRESIDENT RELEASED.

Boise, Idaho, March 14.—Vincent St. John, president of the miners' union at Burke, Idaho, who was arrested February 18th charged with complicity in the assassination of former Governor Steunenberg, was released to-day on a writ of habeas corpus granted by Judge George N. Stewart of the district court. Judge Stewart said that the probate judges ceased to have jurisdiction of St. John after March 2nd, when his preliminary examination should have been held.

The legislative committee of the American Bankers' Association appeared before the United States house committee on banking and currency on Wednesday in support of the bill authorizing national banks to lend money on farm lands, and the bill permitting such banks to lend 10 per cent. of their paid-up capital and surplus to one borrower. The committee also urged elastic currency legislation and that national banks be permitted to carry on certain lines of trust company business, from which they are now excluded.

CITY LOST CASE.

Montreal Must Pay Claims—Death of Lieut.-Governor of Nova Scotia.

Montreal, March 14.—The city of Montreal will be called upon to pay claims amounting to between a quarter and half million dollars by a judgment given by the Privy Council to-day in the case of the city of Montreal vs. Cantin. Cantin contested the assessment roll for Notre Dame street expropriation. The case was fought through the local courts and the city won. But this took three years from the time the roll had been deposited and when the case was again fought in the courts and as the Supreme court held that the prescription applied, the city appealed to the Privy Council, which to-day gave judgment in favor of Cantin. On the result of this appeal over sixty similar cases were depending.

Sudden Death.

Halifax, March 14.—Lieutenantt-Governor Jones of Nova Scotia died to-night. Governor Jones retired as usual last night and awoke shortly after midnight, complained of pain in the chest, and passed away before physicians arrived. Heart failure is the cause. He was 82 years and had been governor since 1900.

Liberal Elected.

Halifax, March 14.—The election for the House of Commons for the constituency of North Cape Breton, rendered necessary by the appointment of the sitting member to the bench, which took place to-day, resulted in the return of A. C. Ross, Liberal, over John MacCormack, Conservative, by a majority of about nine hundred.

Prorogation Friday.

Winnipeg, March 14.—The Manitoba legislature is expected to prorogue on Friday.

New College.

Winnipeg, March 14.—The new provincial agricultural college will be opened November 6th.

Alberta Legislature.

Winnipeg, March 14.—The first session of the Alberta legislature will be opened to-morrow with befitting ceremonies and arrangements have been made to accommodate 3,000 guests at the function. Mr. Fisher, of Banff, expected to be elected speaker.

Newspaperman Arrested.

Toronto, March 14.—Wallace Laut, the London newspaperman who along with McIntosh Fisher, of the Toronto World, is accused of stealing important government documents, and who was thought to be in hiding in the United States, was arrested here this morning. It is now thought that Fisher is hiding in some of the western towns. Later it was announced in police circles that Fisher would give himself up to-morrow. If he does this, he probably will be released on bail till his case comes up for trial.

Decision Reserved.

Toronto, March 14.—Before Chancellor Boyd this morning Mr. Duvernet, on behalf of Joseph Phillips, ex-president of the York County Loan and Savings Company, made a motion for an order instructing the crown to give further particulars of the charge against Phillips. Chancellor Boyd asked Duvernet for more authority to show why the higher court should interfere with the lower and reserved his decision.

Annual Meeting.

Toronto, March 14.—The annual meeting of the Canadian General Electric Company was held here at noon to-day. The profits for the year amounted to $608,000, an increase of $25,000.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Kingston, March 14.—Dean Smith, of St. George's cathedral, stricken with paralysis at service yesterday, regained consciousness during the night. While his condition is critical, he is holding his own. Dr. Smith is about 60 years of age.

Grain Dealer Dead.

Kingston, March 14.—George Richardson, of the firm of James Richardson & Sons, one of the largest grain dealers in the Dominion, died this morning in Bermuda, whither he had gone for his health. Heart failure is supposed to have been the cause of death, as that was his ailment. He was about 56 years old.

"The Suitor (a few years hence)—"Darling, on the very next visitors' day I'll go to Sing Sing and ask your father for his consent!" The Frenzied Financier's Daughter—"Oh, promise me you won't, George, dear! Why, that would shatter all our hopes of father's sentence ever being commuted for good behavior!"—Puck.

Weighty Professional Endorsements.

That the several American medicinal roots, the concentrated glyceric extracts of which make up Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, have the strongest kind of endorsement by scores of leading medical writers of all the several schools of practice, a brief glance at the standard works on *Materia Medica* will show. Of Golden Seal root, which is one of the prominent ingredients of "Golden Medical Discovery," Dr. Roberts Bartholow, of Jefferson Medical College, says: "Very useful as a stomachic (stomach) tonic and in atonic dyspepsia. Cures gastric (stomach) catarrh and headaches accompanying same." He also mentions catarrh of the gall duct, jaundice and constipation as diseases which the use of Golden Seal root overcomes; also catarrh of the intestines, even when it has proceeded to ulceration, is remarkably benefited by Hydrastis (Golden Seal root).

Dr. Grover Coe, of New York, says: "Hydrastis (Golden Seal root) exercises an especial influence over mucous surfaces. Upon the liver it acts with equal certainty and efficacy. As a cholagogue (liver invigorator) it has few equals." Dr. Coe also advises it for affections of the spleen and other abdominal viscera generally, and for scrofulous and glandular diseases, cutaneous eruptions, indigestion, debility, chronic diarrhœa, constipation, also in several affections peculiar to women, and in all chronic derangements of the liver; also for chronic inflammation of bladder, for which Dr. Coe says "it is one of the most reliable agents of cure."

Prof. Hobart A. Hare, M. D., of the University of Pa., says of Golden Seal root that it is "of service in chronic catarrh of the stomach and bowels, following abuse of alcohol, and as a tonic after malarial fever." He further says, it "has a distinct anti-malarial influence." Also "good in all catarrhal conditions, as uterine catarrh, leucorrhœa, etc., and as "a curative agent in chronic dyspepsia."

Prof. Laurence Johnson, M. D., of the Medical Department, University City of N. Y., is equally loud in his praise of Golden Seal root, especially for its tonic effects in convalescence from acute diseases and its special tonic influence upon mucous surfaces and upon the gall bladder.

Doctors Barton and Tully recommended Golden Seal root as a pure tonic and as an alterative in diseased conditions of the mucous membranes.

Prof. John King, M. D., late of Cincinnati, author of the AMERICAN DISPENSATORY, gives it a prominent place among medicinal agents, reiterates all the foregoing writers have said about it, as does also Prof. John M. Scudder, M. D., late of Cincinnati. Dr. Scudder says: "It stimulates the digestive processes and increases the assimilation of food. By these means *the blood is enriched*, * * * * the consequent improvement on the glandular and nervous systems are natural results." Dr. Scudder further says, "in relation to its general effect upon the system, *there is no medicine in use about which there is such general unanimity of opinion*. It is *universally* regarded as *the* tonic, useful in all debilitated states * * *."

Prof. Finley Ellingwood, M. D., of Bennett Medical College, Chicago, says of Golden Seal root: "It is a most superior remedy in catarrhal gastritis (inflammation of the stomach), chronic constipation, general debility, in convalescence from protracted fevers, in prostrating night-sweats. *It is an important remedy in disorders of the womb.*" (This agent, Golden Seal root, is an important ingredient of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription for woman's weaknesses, as well as of the "Golden Medical Discovery.") Dr. Ellingwood continues, "in *all* catarrhal conditions it is useful."

Much more, did space permit, could be quoted from prominent authorities as to the wonderful curative properties possessed by Golden Seal root.

We want to assure the reader that "Golden Medical Discovery" can be relied upon to do all that is claimed for Golden Seal root in the cure of all the various diseases as set forth in the above brief extracts, for its most prominent and important ingredient is Golden Seal root. This agent is, however, strongly reinforced, and its curative action greatly enhanced by the addition, in just the right proportion of Queen's root, Stone root, Black Cherrybark, Bloodroot, Mandrake root and chemically pure glycerine. All of these are happily and harmoniously blended into a most perfect pharmaceutical compound, now favorably known throughout most of the civilized countries of the world. Bear in mind that each and every ingredient entering in the "Discovery" has received the endorsement of the leading medical men of our land, who extol each article named above in the highest terms. What other medicine put up for sale through druggists can show any such *professional* endorsement? For dyspepsia, liver troubles, all chronic catarrhal affections of whatever name or nature, lingering coughs, bronchial, throat and lung affections, the "Discovery" can be relied upon as a sovereign remedy.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 15.—5 a. m.—The low pressure area is moving southeastward into New Mexico; rain is falling in California and snow in Utah, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, Dakota and Illinois. A high barometer area central in Montana and Manitoba overlies the North Pacific states, British Columbia and the Canadian Northwest provinces, and fair cold weather prevails in all sections. Indications are favorable for a continuance of the present conditions in this district for the next 36 hours.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday.

Victoria and vicinity—Northerly winds, continued fair and cold to-night and Friday.

Lower Mainland—Easterly winds, continued fair and cold to-night and Friday.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.32; temperature, 24; minimum, 24; wind, 8 miles N. E.; weather, clear.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.30; temperature, 20; minimum, 18; wind, 6 miles E.; weather, clear.

Nanaimo—Wind, calm; weather, clear, very cold.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.34; temperature, 10; minimum, 8; wind, calm; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 2; minimum, zero; wind, calm; weather, clear.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N. W.; rain, .50; weather, rain.

Port Simpson—Barometer, 30.24; temperature, 28; minimum, 26; wind, 4 miles E.; weather, clear.

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
March 7th to 13th, 1906.

No precipitation has occurred in the province during the whole week; the first two days were a continuance of the phenomenally fine weather which marked the previous week, and the controlling factor of which had been a high barometer area central mainly over the Yukon and British Columbia, and extending southward to New Mexico. On Friday a low area appeared on the Oregon coast, and on Saturday this moved inland to Arizona and Utah and developed into a disturbance of considerable force, and this, combined with a high pressure in the Northwest provinces, caused snowfall in the western and northwestern states from Idaho to Montana, and a decided fall in temperature between the Rocky mountains and the Mississippi river. On Saturday the prevailing northerly winds increased in force, and high gusty squalls occurred throughout the southern part of the province and on the adjacent waters of the Straits and Sound; these continued on Sunday and the best part of Monday, accompanied with a steady decrease in temperature, making the coldest period of the present winter, and causing, it is feared, considerable damage to fruit trees and general vegetation. The northerly winds, though much decreased in force, have continued to the close of the week, and fair cold weather is reported in all parts of the province and in the northern sections of the Pacific states, a moderate disturbance still holding its position in Colorado and Utah.

In the Yukon fair and cold weather has been welcomed, and in the Atlin district it has been much milder, ranging from 8 below zero to 32 above. In the Northwest provinces there has been another decided cold wave, with temperatures reaching 30 below and only occasional light snowfall.

At Victoria, there were 41 hours recorded of bright sunshine; the highest temperature was 42.9 on 8th; and lowest, 29.7 on 11th.

At Vancouver—Highest temperature, 50 on 7th and 8th; lowest, 23 on 12th and 13th.

At New Westminster—Highest temperature, 42 on 7th and 8th; lowest, 24 on 12th.

At Kamloops—Highest temperature, 60 on 7th; lowest, 12 on 12th.

At Barkerville—Highest temperature, 40 on 7th; lowest, 10 below zero on 12th and 13th.

At Atlin—Highest temperature, 32 on 9th; lowest, 8 below on 11th and 12th.

At Dawson—Highest temperature, 24 on 10th; lowest, 12 below zero on 10th.

PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Princess Beatrice from Seattle—J M Thickens, Miss M L Young, Wm Jennings, Mrs Jennings, W H Austin, Mrs Austin, Chas Thicke, R J Davis, Henry Brook, Morton Seeton, G A Ardson, Harry Weymouth, Mrs Weymouth, Miss J Weymouth, Mrs M E Weymouth, David Oakes, D G Williams, Mrs Williams, A H Moore, J Egley, Mrs Egley, Thos Birney, S Baxter, F G Wright, W W Rush, H E Luke, O D Crosby, C H Rice, Mrs Rice, Mrs Capt N White, N W Eveleigh, J C Glinne, Wm H Smith, F P Rand, D J O'Brien, Harry Atherton, W A Snider, Mrs Snider, H H Vanhaven, Mrs Vanhaven and three children, F W Melrose, Robt Evans, H Griffith, Theo Potts, J Wright.

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CITIZEN'S NATIONAL LEAGUE.

London, March 14.—New organization entitled the Citizen's National League was launched here to-day. The primary object is to combat all forms of state or municipal socialism and municipal extravagance. Sir Edward Sasson, the well known Indian merchant, and the Marquis Dousro, eldest son of the Duke of Wellington, and a number of members of parliament, are among the organizers, who expect the league to exercise considerable influence in shaping legislation. Every adult British subject is eligible to membership.

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PLOT TO PROVOKE RIOTS AND MASSACRES

Provincial Authorities and Governor-Generals Support Count Cabol—Efforts to Organize Strike.

St. Petersburg, March 14.—At to-day's session of the cabinet Premier Witte, who was warmly supported by Prince Alexis Obolensky, procurator-general of the Holy Synod, and Count John Tolstoi, minister of education, insisted upon the suppression of the organization known as the League of the Russian People, through which the agitation of the reactionary "Black Hundred" is propogated. It is reported that he was forced to arrive at this decision, but this is not absolutely confirmed. The police prefect, M. Vonder Launitz, was summoned to the meeting and asked to explain how it happened that the publication of the proclamation calling for the extermination of the Jews was printed in the official printing office attached to his department. The prefect denied having any personal knowledge of the printing.

However, it was established that there is constantly accumulating evidence that the plot to produce a counter revolution in the hope of sweeping away the reforms outlined in the manifesto of October 30th, had its origin in a court cabal. The conspiracy includes General Trepoff, commandant at the palace, General Count Ignatieff, M. Stichinsky, former chief adjutant of the interior department, Count Shermetieff, a noted reactionary, and General Prince Putlatin, who are said to be utterly reckless of the consequences.

The plan is to provoke riots and massacres of Jews and revolutionists over as wide an area as possible in order to justify still more terrible repressions, and thereby prove to His Majesty that the people are not ripe for any sort of self government. It is a desperate game, but it is backed by many of the provincial authorities and the support of the governor-generals has been enlisted, the former using the police and the latter the troops, among whom proclamations against the Jews and revolutionists which are understood to have been printed at the army headquarters in Odessa have been distributed. The complicity of the Interior Minister Burnovo in the conspiracy is not proved, although suspected.

Premier Witte and the Liberal section of the cabinet will be compelled to fight the conspiracy, and consequently a break in the ministry is not regarded as improbable.

It is understood that fifty thousand members of the "Black Hundred" in St. Petersburg are armed, but it is believed in view of the warnings they have received that the conspirators will not attempt to provoke a massacre at the capital. The authorities here, however, are in sympathy with the conspiracy, and the danger of an outbreak about Easter is regarded as very real.

In the meantime on the other side the proletariat organizations which were ruthlessly crushed by the government's repressive measures are trying to organize another general strike. Negotiations are proceeding with the telegraph and railroad employees whose co-operation is regarded as vital to this end. The Socialists of Finland have promised their support. Some rioting has already occurred at Moscow and in the vicinity. The Strana (Country) says that M. Durnovo has telegraphed to the governors of ten provinces in Poland not to proclaim the elections until further orders.

"CAPTAIN DEBONNAIRE."

Paul Gilmore at the Victoria To-night —Other Attractions.

Paul Gilmore will appear at the Victoria theatre to-night in "Captain Debonnaire." This is what the Denver Times has to say of his performance:

"While the motive is old and the plot not intricate, 'Captain Debonnaire,' presented yesterday, moves rapidly and with spirit, and Paul Gilmore and his excellent company present it with all the dash required of a swashbucker drama. It is based upon a wager that the hero will win a fair maiden whom he has never seen, and of course he arrives at the appointed hour, on the very last stroke of the clock, and presents to love's captive to the assemblage of brother officers who have been forced to the belief that death has won the bet.

"The play has great strength. The lines are bright and snappy and interest is well sustained. Indifferently presented it would be commonplace. But Mr. Gilmore gives it zest and carries off the title role with a delightful swing, being capably supported in the principal parts.

"It is quite the ideal of the romantic character, however absurd it may seem, judged by modern standards. History, fictitious and authenticated, tells us that similar figures swaggered about in the 'good old days of old,' so we must accept them.

"Mr. Gilmore is a handsome young chap, and his native charms, of manner and physique, added to those given the hero by the author, make him a most captivating Captain Debonnaire, and all the women in the audience are not astonished that he should so quickly win the fair Renee, and they quite envy her.

"The play is beautifully staged and effectively costumed."

Watson's Theatre.

The Pringle company pleased two large audiences yesterday at the matinee and evening performances, presenting "Only a Farmer's Daughter," a comedy drama new to Victoria.

Starting to-night and continuing to-morrow night, the Pringles will present one of their most popular plays, "A Foxy Tramp." The play can aptly be termed a comedy of character, and in the leading role, that of J. J. Jinks, the foxy tramp, Mr. Pringle will have an opportunity to display his unquestioned ability as a character comedian of far more than ordinary ability. Miss Florence Pringle will also be seen in a congenial role.

There will be but two performances of "A Foxy Tramp," to-night and to-morrow night.

For two performances only, beginning Saturday matinee, a most elaborate production of the celebrated emotional drama, "Camille," will be given. Miss Lansing Rowan, who is at her best in such roles as "Camille" is sure to make new friends by her performance of the part here. She will be ably supported by every member of the Pringle company, Harry Fahrney appearing as Armand Duval. Special scenery and effects will be used for this production.

The Irish Concert.

To-morrow night in the First Presbyterian church hall, Irishmen and their friends will be given an opportunity of participating in a right royal celebration of St. Patrick's day. The choir of the church have prepared a programme of Irish songs, choruses, recitations and instrumental selections of the most varied character, and of the very best of the many rare Irish selections. The humorous side has not been neglected, but the coarse caricature of Irishmen so frequently presented in many concerts and plays has been eliminated. Irishmen resent this presentation of what is supposed to be typical of a native-born Irishman, and justly so. The best talent the city can provide has been secured for this concert, including the well known elocutionist Miss Underhill, and Jesse Longfield, violinist. The reputation of the choir is already well established. It will be assisted by many well known soloists.

"Other People's Money."

"Other People's Money," which is said to be a very laughable farce comedy, will be the attraction at the Victoria theatre to-morrow evening.

"Piff! Paff! Pouf!"

B. C. Whitney's "Piff! Paff! Pouf!" will be seen here next Monday. In this play the fun is judiciously diversified. There is the drollery of Fred Mace, in his many-sided character of Peter Fouffle, the sand man; the irresistible flirtation of Kathryn Osterman, as the dashing Widow Montague, and R. E. Graham as the millionaire widower; the twinkling feet of the eight little maidens who comprise the original American pony ballet; the bathing girls; the Easter girls; the Johnnies, and the rest of the long and varied programme.

The opening act of "Piff! Paff! Pouf!" is laid in the sands of Atlantic City, N. J., the most famous of all summer resorts. To this refreshing scene of seaside atmosphere and color are added the clever songs and the witty up-to-date dialogue, and all of a character and tone to make one forget toil and trouble.

MILLIONS FOR DOCKS.

Work of Extension at Devonport Has Been in Progress Nine Years.

The Devenport dockyard extension, which has been in progress for nine years past, is fast nearing completion. The smaller, or tidal, basin has been opened, and it will contain about 6,000 tons of water.

The entire extension which comprises two basins—the one recently opened of ten acres and another thirty-five acres in extent—and four docks, the whole area being 114 acres, is expected to be completed by the autumn of next year, when the King will probably perform the formal opening.

The work has been carried out by Sir John Jackson & Co. at a cost—up to the present—of nearly £6,000,000.

The stupendous character of the task may be gauged from the fact that two years of the nine were occupied in the construction of a coffer dam and the installation of plant. In the construction of the larger basin a large proportion of its area has had to be reclaimed from the sea.

When the extension is complete, it will be possible to dock or provide basin accommodation for any ship yet built or contemplated.

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HARRISON'S REPORT.

California Must Look to Coast Collieries for Fuel.

The following report for February has been issued by J. W. Harrison, coal and metal broker of San Francisco

Since the sailing of the steamship Sonoma, there has been but one delivery of colonial coal, namely, Calcutta, with 2,576 tons; the result is, the coal yards locally are absolutely bare of all Australian grades. There is due to arrive at any time, one steamer and one sailing vessel from Newcastle. The chartered list of coal carriers from the Colonies number twenty-four vessels, of these twenty-four, five are steamers; their total capacity will foot upwards of 73,00 tons. In all, two cargoes arrived here from Newcastle during the month of February with 7,984 tons; eleven cargoes were delivered here from British Columbia, in the same time aggregating 48,130 tons, this clearly demonstrates that we have to look to our coast collieries for our fuel supply. Values remain unchanged, and business generally is reported brisk. Disengaged steamer tonnage can find immediate business, transporting coal from the north at fair prices, as fuel stocks on hand are exceptionally light.

Within the next four days, the eastern conference between the colliery proprietors and the miners will come to an end, and it is pretty well assured that no agreement will be arrived at with the anthracite producers. This means that fully 200,000 men will "go out," and it is feared that the strike may be a protracted one, as the demands of the men are very exacting. The bituminous coal producers anticipate coming to a mutual agreement, as the men and mine owners approximate very closely to each other, in their demands. Quotations on fuel oil remain unchanged, some of the older wells are diminishing their output, but new ones are being opened to more than make good the deficiency.

B. C. COPPER COMPANY.

Smelter Enlargement Work Now Started —New Plant to Be Thoroughly Up-to-Date.

A dispatch from Greenwood says: "Fifty men and ten teams are now at work on the excavations for the B. C. Copper Company's smelter improvements. Work started Saturday on the site for the blast furnaces and warehouse. Tunnelling has commenced under the dump tracks so that the immense quantities of slag can be removed much more rapidly. As the work proceeds the present tracks which are narrow gauge will be replaced by broad gauge tramways, and instead of the present five-ton slag pot a twenty-five-ton pot will be used. The work on the new ore bins also started Saturday and will be rushed along as fast as possible.

"Work will soon commence on the new building which will accommodate the machine and blacksmith shops. These will be fully equipped with all the machinery necessary to make them most serviceable and up-to-date. All the mechanical appliances of the whole smelter will be electrically driven and of the latest type.

"The three new furnaces will be much larger than the present ones. The ones now in use are twelve feet long by twenty-eight inches wide. The new ones will be twenty feet long by forty-eight inches wide. To accommodate the increased size, the furnace room will be extended some thirty feet.

"These improvements will increase the capacity of the smelter from 18,000 tons per month to 50,000 per month. This is a conservative estimate.

"In the course of the work much greater demand will be put upon the output of the company's mines. The operations at the Mother Lode will be largely increased, and at the Emma mine the output will be trebled. Greater efforts will also be put forth at the other mines belonging to the company. It is expected also that the output of the whole camp will be largely increased as a result of the smelter enlargements.

"It will be necessary to raise the level of the approach tracks ten feet in order to serve the new ore bins, and the ore from the sample mills instead of being trucked in ordinary dump cars, will be handled on a belt conveyor. The old steam boilers and furnaces which have been kept in readiness to supplement the electric power when necessary, have been removed and good progress is being made in all departments. It will probably be next—October before the work is completed."

She—"You men are such cowards." He—"Anyhow, one of us married you!"—Punch

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"Do you believe in government ownership?" "I don't know," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "I don't see why the public should be in any desperate hurry to take things out of the hands of the capitalists and intrust them to the politicians."—Washington Star.

Tom—"I hear you called upon Miss Subbubs last night." Dick—"Yes, and it was as much as I could do to tear myself away." Tom—"She is fascinating, isn't she?" Dick—"Oh, I wasn't thinking of her, but of her father's bulldog."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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MR. WILSON'S RESIGNATION.

There are some things connected with the retirement from the government of Hon. Charles Wilson that ought to be explained. Mr. Wilson handed his resignation to the Premier before he left for Ottawa. Was the fact of Mr. Wilson's withdrawal from the cabinet communicated to His Honor the Lieut.-Governor immediately, as it ought to have been, according to precedent and practice? Or was the fact withheld from the representative of the crown as it was withheld from the representatives of the people, who were at the time assembled for the purpose of transacting public business? Is this government of British Columbia not bound by any of the rules of recognized procedure in its conduct of public affairs, or is it going to be permitted to carry out in practice the pernicious principle that nothing really matters, that the Lieut.-Governor may be treated with contumely and the legislature ignored, as long as the object to be attained is the retention of power by a discredited and dishonored ministry?

It is known that Mr. Wilson had for some time disapproved of several of the measures proposed by the government of which he was a minister. He was not consulted in regard to the Kaien Island deal. The order in council through which that transaction was consummated was not drawn up by him as legal adviser of the government. It was prepared by an outsider—by a gentleman interested in the material well-being of the parties who secured the property and who contracted with the Grand Trunk Pacific to take it off their hands at a price five times in excess of what it cost them. The Attorney-General would have resigned in consequence of that "bargain," but the appeals of the Premier not to desert him in the hour of adversity touched his heart, and he consented to retain his portfolio for a time. Mr. Wilson privately condemned the endowment of the Columbia & Western Railway Company with eight hundred thousand acres of land it had not earned under the subsidy act, and so strong were his convictions upon that matter that he could not be persuaded by Premier McBride to retain his position in the cabinet and his seat in the House and vote for it. More than that, Mr. Wilson was determined personally to announce his resignation to the legislature and to make a statement of the reasons which had decided him to withdraw. But again the personal appeals of the Premier wooed his minister from his course, and he placed his resignation in the hands of the head of the government, who withheld it for fear of the consequences of the announcement upon the hybrid majority which even then had him by the throat and was threatening his political life.

According to practice, Premier McBride should have placed the resignation of the Attorney-General in the hands of His Honor the Lieut.-Governor as soon as it was received. Furthermore, the Premier should have made a statement of the fact of the resignation to the legislature which was in session. The practice has been violated, the Lieut.-Governor treated with contempt and the legislature ignored. How long are such things to be permitted in order to preserve the working life of such an unworthy institution as this government of British Columbia has been demonstrated to be?

AN APOLOGY.

Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson called upon the editor of the Times last evening and complained of the manner in which the name of the lady had been dragged into the Kaien Island land transaction. The interview took place at the residence of the writer, but as it related entirely to public matters at present actively engaging the attention of the people of British Columbia, we believe an explanation of the position of the Times as a public journal may not be out of place as a result of it.

If we have written anything reflecting upon or inimical to the reputation of either Mr. or Mrs. Anderson, we beg to express our unfeigned sorrow and deep regret. Anything that has appeared in the columns of the Times was not directed against the characters of private individuals, but against ministers who have had public relations of a questionable character with the individuals. The names of Mr. and Mrs. Anderson are prominently associated with the scandal known as the Kaien Island deal, as the evidence of the Chief Commissioner, given before the committee of inquiry, appears to us to demonstrate. We believe that evidence was sufficient to justify any comments that have appeared in the Times upon the question of the Kaien Island land transaction.

Furthermore, we desire to emphasize our position in regard to this matter by saying as plainly as possible that neither feminine tears nor masculine threats can influence in the slightest degree anything we may feel impelled to say in the future with reference to the Kaien Island scandal or to the part the ministers or their agents played in that notorious affair. If we have published anything detrimental to the characters and reputations of individuals—anything that will prove injurious to them personally or detrimental to them from a business or professional point of view—they have their remedy in the courts of the land. It is not necessary, we hope, as has been plainly intimated to us might be the case in this instance, for husbands to take the law into their own hands, as is sometimes done in another country, in order to protect and vindicate the honor and reputation of helpless, innocent women. We have a summary and unsentimental way in British countries of dealing with those who resort to personal violence under the belief that in so doing they are performing knightly duties.

It is not at all probable that the interview which is the subject of this discourse was instigated by any of the members of the McBride government, in the forlorn hope that the barbs of criticism might be blunted. But in any case the Times believes it has a duty to perform to the people of British Columbia. We have no word of censure for the parties who acted as intermediaries between the government and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway Company. They acted in their own personal interests, as possibly any of us would do if we were placed on the plane from which the persons in question view such a transaction. But we have made light of the plea that they acted the part of patriots and philanthropists and ridiculed the alleged defence that the course of the government was the only course possible under the circumstances and was the logical result of the experience of railway men with other servants of the people in the United States and in Canada. The course we have thus far pursued we shall continue to the end, and that end must be the relegation of the McBride government and its agents to a position from which they will be unable to drag the name of the province of British Columbia in the mire through other deals of such a character as the Kaien Island affair.

"Pernicious publicity" is the bane of the life of a certain organ and of the government for which it has a priceless regard. If the Kaien Island deal and other matters equally scandalous could have been preserved from "pernicious publicity," if the political peddlers of public property could only be guaranteed immunity from "pernicious publicity," public office would indeed be a private snap. In regard to a dispatch sent out from Victoria the Colonist says: "One of these was a special dispatch to the Montreal Star respecting the coal mines in Nanaimo, about which our Nanaimo correspondent furnished a complete refutation the other day." The dispatch in question, we may point out, was founded upon statements made on the floor of the Legislature by the toil-worn leader of the Socialist party, without whose support the McBride government would have been dead as a dodo long ago, and the province would have been saved the disgrace of a great scandal.

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It is possible, after all, that Victorians may not be denied the light of the Napoleonic countenance of Mr. Bowser during the legislative recess. There is a vacancy in the cabinet, and, if it is to be filled, who so fit for the post as Mr. Bowser? The hon. member took great delight in ensconsing himself in the chair of the late attorney-general at every opportunity. He was obviously pleased at every chance that presented itself of assuming a place in the ministerial circle and of posing for the benefit of the House and the galleries, and it must be admitted that the person of the hon. gentleman appeared to fit very nicely into the corners of the seat.

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John J. Dwyer, attorney-at-law, Hartford, Conn., writes to the editor of the Times: "I am searching for Dennis Mullings and his sister Ellen Mullings, both aged between fifty and sixty years, and who resided in some part of British Columbia a few years ago. I would like to have you publish this letter, hoping it will reach the notice of some one who can send me some information concerning them. An estate awaits them or their heirs. Any information should be sent at once."

BRIBERY OF A GALLANT EDITOR.

South McAlester, I. T., News.

The editor of this paper begs to acknowledge receipt of the first bribe of his editorial career. Some days ago we made inquiries of one of our society young ladies concerning a news item and elicited the following reply: "Yes, it's true; but ple-e-ase don't print it in the paper. If you leave it out I'll give you a nickel's worth of peanuts," but gallantry is our long suit. So we omitted to print the story. This morning a Senegambian gentleman, preceded by about six inches of pleasant smile, wafted into the editorial sanctum with a package under his arm about the size of a week's washing. Peanuts! The whole family will be kept busy for a week eating up the outward and visible manifestations of our venality. We begin to appreciate the joys of a boodler.

Queen Margherita of Italy has an Alpine garden 6,000 feet above sea level, which is said to be not only the higaest garden in the world, but the most perfect of its kind.

Municipal Notice.

Sewer Rental and Sewer Construction Tax.

Public notice is hereby given that under the provisions of "The Sewers By-Law, 1902," the roll for the year 1906 has been prepared and filed in my office, showing the owner of lands and real property fronting upon each branch, main, or common sewer or drain laid in the city of Victoria, and showing the number of feet frontage of the land of each owner so fronting, and giving the name and address of each owner, and also giving the amounts each one is assessed in respect to sewer rental and sewer connection tax, which are to be paid according to the said By-Law. Any person whose name appears therein may petition the Council in manner hereinafter mentioned, viz.: "Any person dissatisfied with the number of feet frontage with which he is assessed upon such roll, whether upon the ground that the measurement is incorrect, or that the land and real property are not liable to taxation or are inequitably assessed under the provisions of this By-Law, may, not later than the 1st day of April in each year petition the Council for an alteration in such roll, and shall state his grounds for requiring an alteration."

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Ladies' Savoy Shape, chocolate tan kid, low lace shoe, flexible sole, 11-8 heel; $3.50 per pair.

Ladies "Ascot Shape," Blutcher cut, chocolate tan kid, turn sole, ribbon tie; $4.00 per pair.

Ladies' Gibson Shape, chocolate tan kid, Gibson tie, plain toe, large eyelets, ribbon lace, light flexible sole, 12-8 heel; $4.00 per pair.

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Sizes 11 to 2.

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Misses' Tan Low Shoes, laced, Blucher; $1.50 and $1.75 per pair.

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Child's Tan Bals, Blucher, 5 to 7½; $1.50 per pair.

Child's Tan Low Shoes, 8 to 10½; $1.50 per pair.

Child's Tan Lace Boot, 8 to 10½, Blucher cut, turn sole; $1.75 per pair.

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All White Tea Plates. Friday, 75c. dozen.

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Glass Bowls; value 25c. Friday, 15c.

Glass Bowls; value 35c. Friday, 25c.

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Men's White Shirts, with fancy white bosoms. Friday, 75c.

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—The best essay on "Shylock" by the matriculation class of the Victoria High school was written by J. Le Roy Laidley of Sidney, and yesterday morning the prize was presented to him by the principal, E. B. Paul, M.A.

—The funeral of the late William Sutherland took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, Sixth street. The services were conducted by Rev. Dr. Campbell, and the following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. A. Duncan, A. Hunter, F. Gilchrist and D. Fulton.

—A silver medal elocution contest will be held in Institute hall this evening at 8 o'clock, which promises to prove a very interesting event. There are seven lady competitors, and in addition to the literary programme thus provided, a number of musical selections will be given.

—The case of the Attorney-General vs. Emerson, in which a good deal of interest was taken, has been dropped. It will be remembered that some booms of logs, a tugboat, donkey engine, and logging outfit were seized for alleged irregularities and non-payment of export duty. The case has been before the courts on various occasions.

—The Ladies' Aid Society of Centennial Methodist church gave one of their enjoyable socials at the residence of Rev. S. J. Thompson, the pastor, last evening. There was a large attendance and an excellent programme was rendered. Refreshments were served during the evening and all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

—The British and Foreign Bible Society executive will hold a meeting at the Centennial Methodist church this evening at 7.30 o'clock. It will be followed by a public meeting in the church, which will be addressed by Bishop Perrin, Rev. T. W. Gladstone, Rev. S. J. Thompson and other speakers. The chair will be occupied by Noah Shakespeare.

—The Epworth League of the Metropolitan church spent a very enjoyable time at their weekly meeting on Monday evening. There was a talk on "My Favorite Poems" by Rev. H. A. Carson, a duett by the Misses Robertson, and a solo by Miss Scowcroft. It was announced that at next week's meeting Rev. T. W. Gladstone will give a lecture on temperance.

—The remains of the late William Miller were laid at rest yesterday afternoon, the funeral taking place from the parlors of W. J. Hanna. Services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Grundy, and the pallbearers were Messrs. D. Simpson, J. Moerman, A. McGregor and W. Falconer. The late Mr. Miller was formerly in the navy, and leaves a father, William Miller, of 68 Newcross street, Chatham, Kent, England.

—Rev. T. W. Gladstone, who at yesterday's meeting of the licensing commissioners submitted a petition against the transfer of the Savoy license, wishes it pointed out that he appeared in his capacity as president of the Citizen's League, and that he was supported by a number of representatives of other societies and churches of the city, who were prepared to speak had the opportunity presented itself.

—The sale of pure bred live stock and spring stallion show, to be held on the 21st and 22nd inst. at New Westminster, is receiving very liberal patronage. The entries in all departments are daily increasing, so that a good show is assured. Secretary Logan has returned from a visit to New Westminster, where he has been superintending arrangements for the accommodation of stock and the comforts of all who attend.

—The team to represent the Central Rugby club in their match with the Victoria team at Oak Bay on Saturday at 3 o'clock will be as follows: Full back, Briggs; three-quarters, Anderson, Morrison, Thompson and Todd; half backs, Nason and Foote; forwards, Jeffs, Miller, Sweeney (capt.), O'Keefe, Gibson, Kennedy, Loat and Wilson.

—H. Cuthbert, secretary of the Victoria Tourist Association, will leave this evening on his annual tour of California. He will deliver an address before the business men of Seattle to-morrow evening, and on Saturday will leave with the Washington State Commercial Association for southern points. His itinerary will include all resorts as far down as Los Angeles. While away, Mr. Cuthbert will distribute a considerable amount of the latest advertising literature issued.

—There was a large crowd at the A. O. U. W. hall last evening, the occasion being the Japanese concert under the auspices of the ladies of Knox Presbyterian church. The programme was carried through in splendid style and was a credit to those identified with its arrangement. The drills in costume and the sword dance elicited enthusiastic applause. As already stated, the proceeds will be devoted to the library of the church and the Japanese famine relief fund.

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—A lecture will be given in the W. C. T. U. mission, Yates street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock, open to ladies only.

—The Fifth Regiment basketball team will leave for the mainland this evening. They will play at Westminister Friday and at Vancouver on Saturday. The line-up of the Victoria five will be as follows: Guards, Crocker and Grey; centre, Baker; forwards, W. and C. Fairall. Spare man, Jones. W. H. Spurrier will act as manager.

—A sample of arsenate of lead, which is claimed to be a very valuable insecticide, has been received at the agricultural department from the Merrimac Chemical Company of Boston. The supply, however, is limited, and will be used for purposes of experiment. Should it prove all that is claimed for it, the fact will promptly be made public.

—Judge Lampman is to-day engaged hearing evidence in the case of the Victoria Machinery Depot vs. Turple. It is a dispute between contractor and subcontractor, the one claiming $449 and the other seeking to offset this by a counter claim of $650. The disagreement is over the respective expenses incurred in the building and equipment of a snag boat for service on the Fraser river.

—Everything possible has been done to make the social to be held in the Salvation Army hall on Broad street, to-night, a success. Besides the band selections to be rendered, several singers will assist with solos and duetts, and a good all round time is anticipated. The public at large is cordially invited to be present. The doors will be open at 7.30 o'clock, and the indoor proceedings will commence at 8 o'clock.

—There will be no meeting of the city council this evening, as has been the custom of late; but the aldermen are not to enjoy a night's vacation. The streets and bridges committee and the waterworks committee will meet at 8 o'clock, and will have a busy time. The city engineer will ask to have the public works for the year outlined, and the waterworks committee will have the street sprinkling problem to settle.

—"All the Comforts of Home," provided by local amateurs at the Victoria on Monday and Tuesday evenings last, has netted the Jubilee hospital treasury $183. The expenses of the two performances, exclusive of rent, were but $87. The furniture used in the comedy was kindly supplied by Weiler Bros. free of charge, and as the services of Mr. Beer were also given gratuitously, it is proposed to repeat the performance for that gentleman's benefit, on Wednesday evening next, at popular prices—25c., 35c. and 50c.

—Andrew McFadyen, charged with assault, did not appear in police court this morning, and his bail was ordered estreated and a warrant issued for arrest. He is accused by Gustave Moerman with having bitten him on the night of January 22nd at the Strand saloon. The accused was arrested on a warrant in Vancouver, and brought over by Sergt. Redgrave. On Monday morning the charge was preferred in police court, the prisoner pleading not guilty, but the taking of evidence was adjourned until this morning. McFadyen being bound over to appear in the sum of $250 and one surety in a like sum.

—It has been announced that George Snider has been awarded the contract for the construction of an extensive addition to the retail stores of the Hudson's Bay Co., at the northwest corner of Granville and Georgia streets, Vancouver. As soon as the fram building has been razed the work of running up a four-story and basement brick structure will start. Mr. Snider last summer built the Winch block on Pender street, and other structures in Vancouver, and was the contractor on the construction of the Carnegie library in this city. The total expenditure involved in the construction of the addition will be approximately $30,000. The addition will occupy the whole twenty-six feet of frontage and its depth will be 120 feet, running right back to the lane in the rear of Granville street.

—A cry of "man overboard" attracted a little crowd of people to the Rice mill wharf this morning shortly after ten, and a few minutes later the police patrol wagon appeared on the scene. The man was not allowed to remain long in the cold water, as half a score of willing workers were on hand engaging in the work of rescue. When pulled on to the wharf some one suggested that the victim of the accident was an Italian, but the dripping carcase was ultimately identified as that of one Mike O'Toole. This settled the question of nationality, and the man was taken to the lock-up. The police declare that there were other liquids besides salt water inside O'Toole's vest, and as soon as he quite recovers the shock of immersion he will be called upon to explain why he got into the waters of the inner harbor.

—Important business is listed for this evening's meeting of Dominion Lodge, No. 4, I. O. O. F. A full attendance is requested.

—Have your own goods made and trimmed by us. Stylish cut first-class trimmings and good workmanship. John McCurrach, tailor, 28½ Broad street, upstairs.

—The assault case of Macher vs. Hollis has been adjourned until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. It will then be heard in the County court before Judge Lampman.

—The thermometer early this morning registered ten degrees of frost, the lowest temperature recorded this winter. As a consequence the plumbers were kept busy during the day fixing frozen and burst pipes.

—The sale of naval stores of H. M. S. Egeria at the dockyard yesterday attracted a large number of purchasers, and good prices ruled. It was conducted by Stewart Williams on behalf of L. Eaton & Co., the auctioneers.

—The health of the city is most satisfactory at present. There is but one mild case of diptheria in the Isolation hospital. There are a few cases of mumps among children, but in every instance the children are kept away from school.

—Where do you carry your fire insurance? The Anglo-American and Equity Fire Insurance Companies are not in the combine. Get rates before insuring elsewhere. S. A. Baird, agent, Law Chambers, Bastion street. 'Phone 891K.

—Captain Mikkleson, the Arctic explorer now in the city, who has been looking over the fleet of schooners in the upper harbor, was shown the Acapulco among other craft, and decided that she would be altogether too large for his purpose. He explained that a smaller vessel would suit the work of the expedition, and it is probable that one of the sealing schooners, therefore, will be chosen.

—There was a large number of friends at the sale of work at the Refuge Home, and a good sum was realized. The following were cordially thanked for donations to the sale and teas: Mrs. D. Spencer, Miss Spencer, Mrs. Humber, Mrs. A. A. Humber, Mrs. Lester, Mrs. Perrin, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. J. G. Brown, Mrs. Rocket, Mrs. F. Grant, Miss B. Gill (cash), Miss Robertson, Miss Henry, Mrs. Gould, Mrs. Frank, Mrs. Shakespeare, Mrs. McTavish, Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Lee, Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Stevenson, Mrs. Whiteley, Mrs. A. J. Morley, Mrs. Wm. Grant, Mrs. Emery, Mrs. Hughes and Messrs. Jennie and Taylor.

MILLS FALL BEHIND.

They Are Not Up to Their Contracts For Supply of Lumber.

"Mr. Goodfellow, superintendent of the E. & N. division, is in the city today," says the Nanaimo Free Press. "Mr. Goodfellow reports an unusually large surplus of cars on the E. & N. just now intended to be utilized in carrying lumber, large enough contracts for which were let by the C. P. R. to mills along the road to keep them going for a number of years. The Shawnigan lake mill is shipping steadily two cars of lumber per week; Chemainus shipments have not been as large as expected, but investigation shows that there is a great scarcity of labor there now, so much so that almost any kind of a mill man could find employment.

"The mill in Nanaimo is over a hundred carloads of lumber behind in its contracts. This has been owing to the great scarcity of logs, the company finding it almost impossible to get enough to keep them going. Further delay has also been caused by the installation of new machinery. When present arrangements for logs, which the company now have pending, are concluded and with the increased facilities for putting out a larger output, the mill will strive to overtake its orders."

SALT SPRING ISLAND NOTES.

(Special Correspondence of the Times.)

Between 11 and 12 o'clock on Monday night J. Beddis passed away at his home at Ganges Harbor, after a short illness. Deceased was 34 years of age. He leaves to mourn his loss his mother, four brothers and two sisters. Of his brothers, H. Beddis is in Vancouver, L. Beddis is in Kamloops, while the other two, C. Beddis and G. Beddis, live on the farm with a sister, Miss M. Beddis. The invalid mother is in Kamloops, while Miss D. Beddis reside in Victoria.

A roof fire occurred at Mrs. J. Mowat's house at Vesuvius Bay on Sunday morning. The blaze was soon extinguished.

A very enjoyable dance was held in B. Lundy's house last Wednesday night in honor of the birthday of Miss E. Lundy.

OFFICIAL NOTES.

Some of Announcements Appearing in This Week's Gazette.

The following appointments are among the notices in to-day's Gazette:

William Morison, of Errington, V. I., to be a justice of the peace in and for the province of British Columbia.

Robert Leck McIntosh, of Port Essington, to be a stipendiary magistrate, in and for the county of Atlin.

Alderman James Handlen and Jonathan Isherwood, to be members of the board of licensing commissioners for the city of Nanaimo.

Alderman William Dick and William Holt, to be members of the board of commissioners of police for the city of Nanaimo.

The following have been appointed commissioners for taking affidavits in the Supreme court under the "Provincial Elections Act" in the electoral districts in which they reside:

Victoria City.—Percy F. Godenrath, Richard Ryan, William J. Kelly, Joseph E. Phillips, James A. Douglas, Thomas Cashmore, David Hart, Percy R. Winch, William H. Price, J. W. Bolden, P. J. Riddel, H. H. Macdonald, F. E. Clement.

Cranbrook.—Robert McColl, of Fort Steele; William Small, and Thomas Slattery, of Cranbrook.

The following companies have been incorporated: Royal Loan & Fruit Company, Ltd., capital, $50,000; Farmers' Telephone Company, capital, $10,000; Gulf Lumber Company, Ltd., capital, $200,000; Stewart Trading Company, Ltd., capital, $10,000.

The Telkwa Mining, Milling & Development Company, of Seattle, has been Gazetted an extra-provincial company, with a capital of $5,000,000.

PERSONAL.

David Oakes, capitalist, of Bloomfield, New Jersey, is in the city on a pleasure trip. Mr. Oakes has just been on an extensive tour of California, where he took in the principal points of interest. Although Mr. Oakes comes to the Coast annually, this is his first visit to Victoria. He was attracted here by one of the advertisement leaflets circulated by the Driard, which caught his eye in a Southern hotel. He is so delighted with this city that he is coming here next winter to spend a month or six weeks. He will leave this evening for home, travelling over the Canadian Pacific and the Soo line. En route to the Atlantic he will stop at St. Louis.

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A. W. Murphy, who has been confined to the Jubilee hospital for the past few months, is once more able to be around, and will be "At Home" to his many friends at 67 Kane street.

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E. Corning and Mrs. Corning, of Revelstoke, are guests at the Driard. Mr. Corning is proprietor of a hotel in the thriving interior town.

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Arthur T. Claxton, of Toronto, is in the city on one of his periodical business trips. He is registered at the King Edward hotel.

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Elliott S. Rowe has been confined to his room for several days with the grip, but expects to get about again to-morrow.

James Gardhouse and Mrs. Gardhouse, of Toronto, were in the city yesterday. They left for Nanaimo this morning.

D. J. O'Brien, of Tacoma, and F. A. Wood and S. C. Hazzard, of Seattle, are guests at the Dominion.

G. Llewellyn Wood, of Pender Island, and P. Steward, of Galiano Island, are guests at the Balmoral.

W. Murphy, who has been confined at the Jubilee hospital for the past four months, is out again.

John Aitken and Mrs. Aitken, of Nanaimo, are registered at the Dominion.

Wm. McKee and Mrs. McKee, of White Horse, are guests at the Dominion.

James McGown, of Vancouver, is a guest at the King Edward.

Hugh S. Green, of England, is a guest at the Dominion.

L. Dixon, of Quesnel, is domiciled at the Dominion.

HOW TO RAISE A BABY.

Somebody has been making a collection of the various dogmas that have been proclaimed by different persons in respect of raising babies properly. It is a highly entertaining catalogue, too, for, setting aside the sterilized food and drink the poor little chaps now get, and the bacilli-proof clothes, toys, etc., to which they have been reduced, it appears that babies have to undergo a large number of treatments, as follows:

Sleep under snow.
Strapped to a board for the first three years.
Sewed up in a bag.
Never be nursed.
Never be bathed.
Never be rocked.
Dumb-bells and massage.

There are other recommendations, for which we cannot find room in these overcrowded columns. We content ourselves with mentioning enough of them to show that babies surviving the new system are likely to be pretty hardy little citizens.—Washington Post.

—A range of new spring, Scotch tweeds, serges, etc., just received at Taisang & Co., 156 Government street. Please call and inspect goods.

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The height is measured from the level of the lower low water at spring tides. This level corresponds with the datum to which the soundings on the Admiralty chart of Victoria harbor are referred, as closely as can now be ascertained.

—The fortnightly dance of the R. E. Quadrille Club will take place at Work Point barracks to-night.

BORN.

IRWIN—At Nelson, on March 13th, the wife of F. L. Irwin, of a son.

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BOARD AGREES TO REDUCE ESTIMATES

TO MEET WISHES OF THE COUNCIL

But Trustees Disapprove of Arbitrary Policy of City Fathers—Truant Playing Discussed.

At the monthly meeting of the board of school trustees last evening several questions of importance came up for consideration. When the communication from the city clerk announcing the nomination to put down the cost [illegible] read there was a general [illegible] finally Trustee Jay introduced a resolution refusing to accept the [illegible]s submitted, but consenting to curtail the proposed expenditure to the extent of $1,000. This was carried with but one dissenting voice, that of Trustee Mowat. Truant playing, also, was discussed and those present agreed to seek the assistance of the police commissioners in dealing with recreant children.

Chairman Huggett presided and those present were Trustees Mrs. Jenkins, Mowat, Jay, Lewis and Dr. Hall.

Supt. Eaton first read the minutes after which the chairman explained that Mayor Morley had communicated with him with reference to the use of the council chamber by the Choral Society on Wednesday evenings. He had taken upon himself the responsibility of giving the desired permission upon the understanding that he should report the matter to his colleagues.

It was agreed that there would be nothing said about the matter, those present deciding in view of the usefulness of the choral organization and the trifling inconvenience it was not worth while complaining.

Trustee Jay, however, registered a mild objection. It was difficult to think when singing was in progress, he said.

The statement was greeted with some laughter and a considerable amount of raillery. Someone remarked that it should have a "soothing" effect.

Trustee Jay presented the finance committee's report. Accounts amounting to $1,752.47 were submitted and ordered paid. It was explained that one bill, that of the Standard Stationery Company, was for two typewriters, while another was that of F. B. Gregory for his services as counsel before the royal commission which inquired into the South Park school drawing trouble.

Upon motion it was unanimously adopted.

A communication was received from the city clerk seeking a reduction in the estimates submitted by the school board to the city council.

To this proposal Trustee Jay recorded a vigorous protest and announced his intention to introduce a resolution. The letter, therefore, was tabled.

The building and grounds committee recommended an increase in the salary of the janitor of the High school. It was proposed that the work of painting and sewering the Rock Bay school be left in abeyance.

Before adopting the report it was pointed out by Trustee Mowat that the addition wasn't really an increase in the salary of the janitor but simply the provision of funds for the employment of the extra help that would be required about the grounds during the summer months.

Trustee Mowat read a tender from J. Haggerty for the improvement of the grounds surrounding the High and Boys' Central schools.

Trustee Lewis protested against the acceptance of the tender. He suggested that those who wished to secure the contract be compelled to comply with certain specifications.

Chairman Huggett proposed that the latter be drafted by the buildings and grounds committee and that tenders be invited.

The majority were in favor of this and a motion to that effect was carried unanimously.

Chairman Huggett, in behalf of the committee appointed to present the views of the board to the government with reference to the McGill University legislation, reported that they had been well received. Premier McBride, after courteously listening to their objections, promised to give the matter his earnest consideration. It wasn't necessary to say more, as members of the board were no doubt aware of the outcome of the government's action.

Trustee Jay then took up the question of estimates. He drew attention to the fact that the city council proposed reducing the board's funds to the extent of some $2,600. This amount was made up of $1,000 from the salary list and $1,600 for general maintenance. He reminded the trustees that the matter was becoming one for annual consideration, that it had come up last year when the board stood its ground. This he proposed to recommend upon the present occasion. Under the School Act the board was entitled to expend what was thought necessary for the satisfactory maintenance of the local educational system. But he proposed recognizing the difficulties under which the Mayor and council labored in the endeavor to obtain sufficient funds for all necessary civic improvements. He thought by exercising economy the board might be able to reduce the general expenditure to the extent of $1,000. This was the suggestion he offered, and which he had embodied in his resolution. He then read the letter, which follows:

That the letter of the clerk of the municipal council of the 6th March be received, and that the council be reminded that under the provisions of the Public Schools Act the school board alone has the power to settle the annual estimate of ordinary expenditure of the board, and that the municipal council has no power to limit or reduce the amount of that estimate.

That the council be informed that the board appreciates the desire for due economy in the general administration of civic affairs and the difficulties of the council in meeting the many demands upon civic revenue, and that upon further consideration of the detailed estimate of ordinary expenditure the board reduces the expenditure under the heading of general repairs and furniture to the respective sums of $4,350 and $750, thus reducing the estimate for general maintenance from the sum of $18,600 to $17,800.

Trustee Lewis seconded the motion. He thought the proposal was a good one. He wanted, however, to express his surprise that the alderman who took the most emphatic stand in favor of a reduction was Dr. Lewis Hall, for many years a member of the school board. When he had been elected to the council the general impression among the trustees was that they had obtained a champion among the city fathers who would endorse all legitimate expenses. In his opinion the board could be relied upon to exercise discretion in all expenditures. Last year a surplus was returned to the corporation coffers.

Trustee Mowat did not believe there was any necessity for such a resolution. He moved that the communication be received and filed.

The motion of Trustee Jay carried, Trustee Mowat alone opposing it.

It was reported by Trustee Lewis that R. Laritz wished to sow Boston ivy around the grounds of the High school, any liability entailed to be borne by D. R. Ker. The request was granted, members of the board expressing gratification at Mr. Ker's generous action.

The chairman brought up the question of truant playing. He stated that complaints had been received from residents of James Bay in reference to gangs of boys loafing about the street corners and who were apparently "out for mischief."

One of those present wanted to know whether the habit of truant playing was very general.

Supt. Eaton replied in the negative. He said the percentage was exceedingly small. In his opinion there might be a census every second year for the purpose of keeping in touch with all the pupils. At the present time it was customary for him to ask the teachers to report any cases of truancy. But this wasn't satisfactory. Still he couldn't say that the appointment of a permanent truant officer was necessary. The school attendance was really creditable.

In Trustee Jay's opinion something might be done by drawing the matter to the attention of the police commissioners. They were in a position to extend assistance.

Instructions were given to the secretary to inform the parents of the children that the board would be compelled to enforce the "compulsory clause" of the act if the youngsters' attendance did not improve.

In according with his suggestion Trustee Jay submitted the following motion:

That the police commissioners be respectfully requested to require the city police to co-operate in the enforcing of the compulsory clauses of the Public Schools Act and to report to the city superintendent any cases that may come to their notice of children who are not in attendance at the city schools.

It was carried unanimously.

The meeting then adjourned.

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Sporting News

SKATING.

VISITED COLWOOD.

In spite of the fact that it was reported that the ice at Colwood was frail and unfit for skating many took advantage of yesterday afternoon's train to visit the lakes in that neighborhood. From what can be gathered, they found small patches of good ice and indulged in the sport for a few hours. It is expected that the ice will be in better condition to-day.

BASKETBALL.

GAME TO-NIGHT.

The first game of the Y. M. C. A. city league will take place in the gymnasium to-night. It should be closely contested as a shield has been put up for the winning five, thus increasing the interest in the competition to a considerable extent. There will be matches every Thursday and Friday evening until well on in April.

HOCKEY.

EASTERN CHAMPIONSHIP.

Montreal, March 14.—In the first of the home games to decide the tie for the championship of the Eastern Canada Hockey League, with which will go possession of the Stanley cup, the Wanderers defeated Ottawa here to-night by nine goals to one. Upwards of 6,000 saw the game. The champions were played off their feet from the start of the game. The half time score was four to nothing. The second of the two games will be played in Ottawa Saturday, majority of goals in the two games to count. Speculators sold for $10 each the $1 seats.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

A SMOKING CONCERT.

Members of the Victoria United Club are looking forward to the smoking concert to be held on Saturday evening with considerable eagerness. The committee in charge of the arrangements have spared no efforts to make the programme worthy of the occasion, and that they will succeed is assured. Those who have promised to assist up to the present include the most popular local entertainers. There will be plenty of cigars, tobacco, etc., and a jolly informal time is assured all attending. The Ladysmith players will be the guests of the Victoria United club during the entertainment, but it is stated that one or two of those will be called upon to contribute a song or speech. Tickets are finding a ready sale, and the Sir William Wallace hall should be crowded to the doors.

THE RING.

DECLARED FIGHT A DRAW.

Battling Nelson and Terry McGovern went six rounds in Philadelphia last night—six rank rounds, which determined the referee to declare the contest a draw. There were five thousand people present who were hugely disappointed. Nelson had the best of the fight. Here it is by rounds:

Round 1.—Nelson mised a left and both clinched, and it was twenty seconds before they were separated. The crowd hissed and Nelson led with left to head. They again clinched and the referee warned McGovern for holding. There was another clinch, and McGovern sent a hard left to the head. They were clinched at the bell, and as they went to their corners there was nothing but hisses.

Round 2.—McGovern missed a left for wind, and then they began to clinch. McGovern sent left to wind and right to head. They rushed to a clinch, and then McGovern drove a right to the head, which jarred the battler. Nelson was cautioned for using his shoulder. Nelson missed a straight left and again they clinched. The boys did not move six feet from the centre of the ring, and were still clinched at the bell. Groans and hisses greeted the men as they went to their corners.

Round 3.—McGovern tried the left to wind twice, but was blocked in both attempts. They clinched and the referee could not get them to break. Nelson drove two lefts to face, and there was the same old clinch. McGovern sent a left to the jaw and missed a hard right. McGovern uppercut with a hard right and then sent a right to the jaw. Nelson sent a left to the head, and ducked a vicious left. Nelson sent another left to the face and they were clinched at the gong.

Round 4.—McGovern swung wild with his right, but drove a left to the wind. Nelson sent left to the face, and then they clinched and wrestled across the ring, Nelson pounding McGovern's kidneys in the clinch. Nelson sent a right left to face, and McGovern missed a swing for the jaw. Nelson was growing stronger, while McGovern seemed to be weakening. Nelson sent a hard left and right to the jaw, and McGovern was weak as he went to his corner. It was the first round in which there was any real fighting.

Round 5.—McGovern sent a left to the head and Nelson countered with a left to the stomach. McGovern rushed to a clinch and refused to break when told by the referee. McGovern sent three left to the face, but the blows did not have any appreciable effect on Nelson. When they broke Nelson drove a terrible right to McGovern's jaw which made the Brooklyn boy wobble. They clinched, and as they broke away the bell rang.

Round 6.—Nelson missed a right swing and then rushed to a clinch. McGovern missed a right for the wind, and then sent a right uppercut to the wind. Nelson sent a light left to the face and then missed a terrific right for McGovern's chin. Nelson drove McGovern into a neutral corner and landed two hard blows on the wind. McGovern was almost out when the gong sounded.

It was Nelson's fight.

THE GUN.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year by the Victoria Gun Club: President, O. Weiler; vice-president, A. Lineham; captain, W. Bickford; treasurer, W. Adams; secretary, H. N. Short. The club is reported to be in a flourishing condition.

The Crimson Blind

By FRED. M. WHITE

CHAPTER XLIV.

Enid Speaks.

"I am going to tell you the story of the great sorrow that has darkened all our lives, but I shall have to go a long way back to it," Enid said. "I go back to the troublous day of Charles, as far back as the disastrous fight at Naseby. Of course I am speaking more from a Royalist point of view, for the Littimers were always followers of the court.

"Mind you, there is doubtless a deal that is legendary about what I am going to tell you. But the ring given to my ancestor Rupert Littimer by Prince Rupert himself is an actuality.

"Naseby was over, and, so the legend goes, Prince Rupert found himself desperately situated and in dire peril of capture by Cromwell's troops, under one Colonel Carfax, a near neighbor of Rupert Littimer; indeed, the Carfax estates still run parallel with the property round Littimer Castle.

"Now, Carfax was hated by all those who were attached to the fortunes of the King. Seeing that he was of aristocratic birth, it was held that he had violated his caste and creed by taking sides with the Roundheads. History has told us that he was right, and that the Cavaliers, picturesque as they were, were fighting a dubious case. But I need not go into that. Carfax was a hard, stern man who spared nobody, and many were the stories told of his cruelty.

"He and Rupert Littimer were especially at daggers drawn. I believe that both of them had been in love with the same woman or something of that kind. And the fact that she did not marry either made little difference to the bitterness between them.

"Well, Carfax was pressing close on Rupert, so close, indeed, that unless some strategy were adopted the brilliant cavalry leader was in dire peril. It was there that my ancestor, Rupert Littimer, came forward with his scheme. He offered to disguise himself and go into the camp of Carfax and take him prisoner. The idea was to steal into the tent of Carfax and, by threatening him with his life, compel him to issue certain orders, the result of which would be that Prince Rupert could get away.

"'You will never come back again, friend,' the Prince said.

"Rupert Littimer said he was prepared to run all risk of that. 'And if I do die you shall tell my wife, sir,' he said. 'And when the child is born, tell him that his father died as he should have done for his King and for his country.'

"'Oh, there is a child coming,' Rupert asked.

"Littimer replied that for aught he knew he was a father already. And then he went his way into the camp of the foe with his curls cut short and in the guise of a countryman who comes with valuable information. And, what is more, he schemed his way into Carfax's tent, and at the point of a dagger compelled him to write a certain order which my ancestor's servant, who accompanied him, saw carried into effect, and so the passage for Prince Rupert was made free.

"The ruse would have succeeded all round but for some litttle accident that I need not go into now. Rupert Littimer was laid by the heels, his disguise was torn off, and he stood face to face with his hereditary foe. He was told that he had but an hour to live.

"'If you have any favor to ask, say it,' Carfax said.

"'I have no favor to ask, properly so-called,' Littimer replied; 'but I am loth to die without knowing whether or not I have left anybody to succeed me—anybody who will avenge the crime upon you and yours in the years to come. Let me go as far as Henson Grange, and I pledge you my word I will return in the morning!'

"But Carfax laughed the suggestion to scorn. The court party were all liars and perjurers, and their word was not to be taken.

"'It is as I say,' Rupert Littimer repeated. 'My wife lies ill at Henson Grange and in sore trouble about me. And I should like to see my child before I die.'

"'Then you shall have the chance,' Carfax sneered. 'I will keep you a close prisoner here for two days, and if at the end of that time nothing happens, you die. If, on the other hand, a child is born to you, then you shall go from here a free man.'

"And so the compact was made. Unfortunately or fortunately, as the case may be, the story got abroad, and some indiscreet person carried the news to Dame Littimer. If as she was, she insisted upon getting up and going over to Carfax's camp at once. She had barely reached there before—well, long ere Rupert Littimer's probation was over, he was the father of a noble boy. They say that the Roundheads made a cradle for the child out of a leather breastplate, and carried it in triumph round the camp. And they held the furious Carfax to his word, and the story spread and spread until it came to the ears of Prince Rupert.

"Then he went to see Dame Littimer, and from his own hand he drew what is known in our family as Prince Rupert's ring. He placed it on Dame Littimer's hand, there to remain for a year and a day, and when the year was up it was to be put aside for the bride of the heir of the house for ever, to be worn by her till a year and a day had elapsed after her first child was born. And that has been done for all time, my aunt, Lady Littimer, being the last to wear it. After Frank was born it was put carefully away for his bride. But the great tragedy came, and until lately we fancied that the ring was lost to us for ever. There is, in a few words, the story of Prince Rupert's ring. So far it is quite common property."

Enid ceased to speak for a time. But it was evident that she had more to say.

"An interesting story," David said. "And a pretty one to put into a book, especially as it is quite true. But you have lost the ring, you say?"

(To be continued.)

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A LIVELY SESSION LICENSING BOARD

THE SAVOY TRANSFER VIGOROUSLY OPPOSED

Some Knotty Questions Raised on Which Further Evidence is to Be Taken.

A meeting of the licensing commissioners was held yesterday in the police court presided over by His Worship the Mayor. Ald. Davey and J. E. Phillips were also present. There was a large attendance of interested parties including a deputation, headed by Rev. T. W. Gladstone, who opposed a transfer of the license held by the Savoy Co., Limited. A great deal of interest was manifested in the proceedings throughout, as it was known that there would be opposition to some of the licenses sought. There was no new license applied for, but transfers were numerous.

A transfer of the Vernon hotel license was applied for from Mrs. Patterson to F. G. Vernon. Mrs. Patterson had been the tenant of the premises, which were now vacant. The building was owned by George Forbes Vernon, but is at present unoccupied. It was stated that there were parties looking after it. The intention of the applicant was to keep the license alive.

There was no opposition, and the transfer was granted.

Mr. Brown sought a transfer of the license held by him for the Prince of Wales saloon, corner of Cormorant and government streets. The business had been moved from one side of Government street to the other.

F. Higgins appeared for Mr. Hepburn, the landlord of the vacated premises. He stated that under agreement between the landlord and tenant the latter was bound to give twelve months' notice of his intention to leave, but had only given one month's notice. The premises had been built and designed for the business conducted by Mr. Brown, and could not be fitted up for other purposes except at great expense. He contended that the licensing commissioners had not the power to transfer a license from one premises to another under such conditions as here existed.

In reply to the Mayor, Mr. Higgins said that the license belonged to Brown rather than Hepburn, but the lease bound Brown to certain conditions which had not been fulfilled.

W. Moresby for the applicant argued that if Mr. Hepburn had a claim against Brown, this was not the court in which to decide the question. If Hepburn had suffered any damage by reason of his tenant leaving, there was a tribunal before which he could get redress, but this court was not that tribunal. His client had gone to considerable expense in fitting up his new premises, and had been granted a temporary permit to carry on his business. All he now sought was the confirmation of this transfer.

Mr. Higgins contended that he was before the proper tribunal, as the license commissioners were the proper parties to decide whether the license should be transferred or refused.

Mr. Moresby argued that a license was a chattel over which the landlord had no control.

The Mayor suggested that as there was a question as to the conditions under which Brown left the premises owned by Hepburn, evidence on this point should be produced. The evidence not being available the case was adjourned for a week.

A transfer was granted to J. B. Simpson of the Garrick Head saloon, license formerly held by Harry Morton.

The license of the Imperial hotel was transferred to the landlord, J. Boscowitz.

F. Carne was granted a transfer of his bottle license from his old premises on Yates street to his new store on Government street.

H. D. Helmcken appeared for Mrs. McKeon and asked that the license of the Oriental hotel be retransferred to her.

Sheriff Richards opposed the application on the ground that the license was an asset in a seizure made by him on order of court in the case of various creditors against Carvolth & Evans, the former tenants, and should not be disposed of by the commissioners.

Mr. Helmcken argued that the granting of the license would improve the sheriff's condition.

Sheriff Richards did not concede this point. The license stood in the name of Carvolth & Evans, against whom there were several claims. If the transfer were granted to Mrs. McKeon it would not be fair to the other parties.

Mr. Helmcken said that his client had a prospective tenant for the premises, and that the license was an important feature in the case.

Sheriff Richards contended, as receiver, that if the license was granted it took the case out of court.

The Mayor suggested that the temporary license stand until next sitting of the court, and this was agreed to.

The Savoy Co., Ltd., applied for a transfer of the liquor license held by them on Government street, from one premises to those adjoining.

The application was made on behalf of the company by Mr. Moresby, who explained that a large sum of money had been spent in fixing up the new premises, which were in every particular made suitable for the business.

Rev. Mr. Gladstone opposed the transfer of the license, and handed to the commissioners about three yards of signatures to a petition praying that the license be not granted. He said that the unsavory reputation of the Savoy was not alone known in Victoria but throughout the province. It was not necessary, he argued, that the petitioners should prove anything against the place, as its reputation was too well known. The company were now applying to the commissioners for a favor, which the commissioners had the right to say they would not grant. He assured the gentlemen on the bench that the eyes of the whole city were upon them at this crisis, and that if they granted a license to this notoriously bad house, they need never expect to enjoy the confidence, political or otherwise, of the people. No objection had been raised against the temporary transfer, but that did not imply that the public were not opposed to the present application. He noticed that Mr. McDonell's good character had been referred to by Mr. Moresby, but it was a noticeable fact that that gentleman's name did not appear in connection with the application. The application was made on the part of a company, so that when anything went wrong, it was the company or the secretary of the company that would have to be held responsible, and this was a very unsatisfactory arrangement. He also noticed that the Mayor was reported to have stated at a public meeting that since the edict went forth against gambling that no gambling took place at the Savoy, but he (the speaker) had very good grounds for stating that gambling was since carried on there.

Mr. Moresby: If there is any charge to be made against the conduct of those premises I must ask that it be taken under oath. I am prepared to answer the questions raised by the reverend gentleman, but if he is to make charges, they must be made under oath, in the usual way.

Rev. Mr. Gladstone continued to state that gambling was still carried on on the premises, and submitted a letter from a man who said there was a chart used to guide to the gambling tables.

The letter referred to was handed to the Mayor, but the signature was found to have been removed. His Worship, therefore, declined to receive the document, stating that he would not accept an anonymous letter.

Rev. Mr. Gladstone said that he had torn off the signature as the writer did not wish to have his identity known.

The Mayor adhered to his decision not to receive the document.

Mr. Moresby replied to the charge of the Rev. Mr. Gladstone. He pointed out that while a company as a whole might be charged with a breach of the law, no charge had come before the courts against the Savoy Company. If charges could be established they should be brought forth and proved, but insinuations and inuendos were not evidence. Mr. McDonell was manager of the company, and had never been charged in a public court here with any offence, nor had the secretary of the company.

Rev. Mr. Gladstone said he had reason to believe that gambling has been carried on on the Savoy premises since March 1st.

Mr. Moresby denied this, and contended that the saloon license of the Savoy was conducted according to law, and that there was no gambling since the edict went forth that gambling should be stopped. It was easy to make insinuations and imputations, but in fairness these should be proved. He was surprised to hear Mr. Gladstone threaten the commissioners, and said that had such remarks been made in an ordinary court of justice, the reverend gentleman would be punished for contempt of court.

Mr. Moresby concluded by explaining the plan upon which the license would be conducted in future, and alluded to the fact that no person in the street raised any objection to the transfer of the license.

The Mayor said that conditions had changed since he granted the temporary transfer of the license, but at that time he gave Mr. McDonell distinctly to understand that it was granted subject to the approval of the court of commissioners. Since then a lengthy petition had been handed in against this license, and in order that both sides might have an opportunity of being heard the case would be adjourned for a week.

The following is a full list of the transfers granted: Vernon hotel, to F. G. Vernon; Queen's hotel, to William Bayliss; Commercial hotel, to Mrs. J. Thomas; Dallas hotel, to Mrs. Patterson, and Isabel Patterson; Albion saloon, to Gustave Moerman and Peter McLeod; Jubilee saloon, to Robert Chadwick and Robert Laing; Garricks Head, to J. B. Simpson; Imperial hotel, to J. Boscowitz; Rock Bay hotel, to Neils Hansen; Regent saloon, to J. W. and J. H. Meldram; Klondike saloon, to H. Rudge; and a transfer of the grocery license of F. Carne from Yates street to his new store on Government street.

The court adjourned until next week.

EDWARD MORGAN DEAD.

Actor Who Played John Storm Expired Suddenly in New York.

Victorians who patronize the theatres will remember Edward J. Morgan, the actor who played here with "The Christian" company several years ago. A dispatch from New York contains the news of his death in a hotel there from heart disease recently. He was found dead in his hotel. The dispatch follows:

"Morgan's last appearance was in Hall Caine's play, 'The Prodigal Son,' which was a failure. Soon afterward his friends found him wandering around in such a plight that it was thought best to send him to a sanitorium. He stayed there for several weeks and then went to Chicago to join his wife. It is supposed he came to New York to enter Henry Miller's company.

"Morgan was an Englishman, 36 years old, a graduate of Oxford. His first wife was Adelaide Cushman, granddaughter of Charlotte Cushman, from whom he was divorced. In 1903 he married Helen Bertram, the singer.

"He was a morose, moody sort of fellow, not popular among actors. For several years he had been addicted to the opium habit, which undermined his health. When he sued Adelaide Cushman for a divorce he declared she was a cocaine fiend and a drunkard. In view of the fact that his present wife, Helen Beraram, has recently been sued for debt and had a spectacular hearing in the local courts, it is not believed Morgan left any estate of consequence.

"As an actor Morgan scored his greatest success as John Storm in Hall Caine's play, 'The Christian.' The part fitted him as though Caine had him in mind when developing it."

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What Other People Think

TO THE SAVOY LICENSE.

To the Editor:—The application for the transfer of the Savoy license has been postponed for one week, for the production of evidence. Any citizen in possession of such who will be public spirited enough to produce it in court will place the city under a deep debt of gratitude. Petitions to the license commissioners lie at the Y. M. C. A. and the W. C. T. U.

CITIZEN.

THE SAME, WE BELIEVE.

To the Editor:—Will you kindly inform me if the Jas. Anderson that is connected with the Kalen Island investigation is the same Anderson that was at one time editor of the Similkameen Star, on or about five years ago?

D. A. CARMICHAEL,
(Old Subscriber).

LOCAL IMPROVEMENTS.

To the Editor:—I notice some of the advocates of full paying local improvements, including our worthy Mayor, make the statement that all progressive cities have adopted this plan; but can they find another city on the Coast where local conditions are anything like they are here? In the past the work that has been done on most of our streets has been done largely owing to the influence of friends of the council then in power. The consequence is that while some streets are fairly well fixed with good surface drains and the roadway also in very fair condition, many others have no drains, sidewalks, and in wet weather almost have to swim put. They would now ask these people to pay for what has been done and pay for all their own besides.

There is another feature where our city differs from the other Coast cities, including Vancouver. They are laid out in lots with 25 feet frontage, while ours is from 30 to 60 feet front, which would make one man here pay as much as two or two and a half in the other places. Personally, I am in favor of sidewalks being built by the parties fronting on same, but really I think it very unfair to make some neglected portions of the city pay for all their improvements now. I think it is one of the things that should be voted on by the people before putting in force.

A RATEPAYER.

March 14th, 1906.

THE GADSKI CONCERT.

To the Editor:—My attention has been called to a letter appearing in your columns, signed "One of the Common Herd," in your issue of the 12th inst., in which the inference is given that the members of the Victoria Musical Society were allowed choice of seats two days ahead of the general public and at reduced rates; that we also had a financial interest in the late Gadski concert. I beg to state for the information of "One of the Common Herd" that the Victoria Musical Society had no financial interest in the Gadski concert, nor did its members receive reduced rates. The only advantage the members had was in the privilege of being able to book our seats two days previous to the general public. This was granted the society in return for their aid in bringing the merits of Madame Gadski before their friends and inducing them to patronize her concert. This is no new plan, and is frequently adopted by choral societies and similar organizations all over the world, and, indeed, practically the same plan is being adopted in connection with the Gerardy concert, which is to take place next month.

I regret that our worthy honorary secretary, Mr. George Phillips, should have felt and written so strongly in connection with this concert, and should have taken upon himself to write and sign himself honorary secretary of the Victoria Musical Society without any authority whatever from that body.

The Victoria Musical Society is a recent organization resulting from the very successful two days' musical festival held here last December, when the citizens were privileged to hear Mr. Watkin Mills and his celebrated party of vocalists.

The society was formed for the purpose of giving performances of choral and instrumental music from time to time, also to induce artists of note in the musical world to visit Victoria, and to encourage a love of good music generally.

In our own humble way we are endeavoring to carry out the above plan. We have not got "cold feet," and the success or otherwise of one or two concerts will not influence our members to give up the work that has been inaugurated; nor do I think "One of the Common Herd" will find fault with the society or its objects nor ask us to obliterate ourselves or go to Hades.

J. G. BROWN,
Chairman of Provisional Committee, Victoria Musical Society.

"How'ja like y'r neo fob, Mayme?" "Honest, Sadie, I ain't stick on it." "Watcha kickin' about?" "Well, if I don't do things right they'll get another girl, an' if I do things right they make me keep right on a-doin' 'em."—Cleveland Leader.

Mrs. Nexdore—"I bought a new piece of music for my daughter to play and I guess she'll master it soon. She was trying all afternoon." Miss Pepprey—"Indeed, she was; very."—Philadelphia Press.

"A pretty girl, even if she is poor, can have all the attention she wants, can't she?" "Yes. There's only one that can beat her." "Who's that?" "A homely girl with the coin."—Detroit Free Press.

Shipping

An Associated Press dispatch from San Francisco says: "When the British fur sealing schooner Zillah May put into this port last Tuesday evening for the purpose of landing a sick sailor, it was discovered that the four members of the crew were listed as natives of the United States. As the revised statutes prohibit American citizens from hunting seals north of the thirty-fifth parallel of latitude, Customs Collector Stratton called the attention of the United States attorney-general to the fact that the sailors mentioned had been violating the law. Assistant United States District Attorney Black said he doubted whether the law applied to American citizens when acting as members of the crew of a British vessel entitled to hunt for seals in waters prohibited to Americans. It is not likely anything further will be done in the matter."

Since the above incident the Victoria Sealing Company of this city has been notified that the sealer has sailed. The attempt to make a case out of the discovery that Americans were aboard the Zillah May is not the first by United States officials. Officers on revenue cutters patrolling Behring Sea have tried it before, but have discovered that they cannot arrest an American who is not violating the law under the British flag. If this could be done Britishers on Japanese schooners using fire arms in Behring Sea could be arrested, and there would be no longer any benefits resulting from a transfer from one flag to another as is done frequently in shipping circles to facilitate business.

BUY TWO MORE SHIPS.

Frank E. Burns, superintendent of the Alaska Steamship Company, has left Seattle for New York, where he goes to complete negotiations for the purchase of two steamships. The vessels will be used by the company in the Puget Sound and Alaska trade.

The steamers are new and have been in service only about two years. They carry about 2,000 tons each and are modern in every respect. Both are fitted with excellent passenger accommodations. The vessels would be suitable for any ocean run.

The Indianapolis is the first of the new fleet and more vessels are to be purchased from time to time. When the Indianapolis was taken over at Chicago the steamship had been in operation but seven months. The steamers were built in 1904.

COMPLETES 169TH TRIP.

The Norwegian steamer Titania, which has proved herself to be the most profitable coal carrier ever engaged in the coal carrying trade, has just completed her one hundred and sixty-ninth run between Nanaimo and San Francisco. She has been in command of Capt. Egenes for the past eight years; all of that time she has continuously been on the Nanaimo-San Francisco run. The Titania is a 6,000-ton boat and was built in Sunderland, England, by Williamson & Tousburg, the well-known Norwegian shipbuilders. Since she has been on the Nanaimo run the collier has made 169 trips, carrying in all 980,000 tons of coal. She holds the record for loading, some years ago having taken a full cargo, nearly 6,000 tons, in ten and a half hours. The boat makes the trip to San Francisco from Nanaimo in a little under four days.

FEBRUARY SHIPPING.

The monthly freight and shipping report of R. P. Rithet & Co. for February, just issued, says: "There is not much activity to report in the freight markets. Several grain vessels have been fixed for northern loading at union rates. From San Francisco the indication is about 18s., but this is below the ideas of owners, and there is not likely to be any further spot chartering for the season. Lumber business continues steady, with a fair demand from the west coast, as well as from the Atlantic coast. We quote freights as follows: Grain—San Francisco to Cork, nominal; Portland to Cork, 25s. to 27s. 6d.; Tacoma and Seattle to Cork, 26s. 3d. Lumber—British Columbia or Puget Sound to Sydney, 33s. 9d. to 35s.; Melbourne or Adelaide, 37s. 6d. to 38s. 9d.; Port Pirie, 37s. 6d. to 38s. 9d.; Fremantle, 46s. 3d. to 47s. 6d.; Shanghai, 40s. to 41s. 3d.; West Coast, S. A., 38s. 9d. to 40s.; South Africa, 52s. 6d. to 53s. 9d.; United Kingdom or continent, 55s. to 57s. 6d."

BELIEVED TO BE SAFE.

That the steamer Zapora is safe at the halibut banks officers of the International Fisheries Company, owner of the vessel, say there is no doubt, says the Tacoma News. No word is expected from the steamer for about a week, when she is scheduled to return.

The life buoy and two oars, marked "S.S. Zapora" and the two dories that were picked up on Grahame Island, were those, President Poole thinks, that the fishing cruiser lost in a heavy storm about six weeks ago. According to his estimate the Zapora is not within 200 miles of the place where the equipment was found. The Zapora left Tacoma last Saturday night for the halibut banks, and was out from Port Townsend only 18 hours when the news was received. It would be impossible, the officers say, for the Zapora to be wrecked and have her oars and dories washed ashore on Grahame Island in such a short time.

Capt. Johanson is master of the Zapora. Besides her regular crew she carries about 30 fishermen, all of whom are residents of Tacoma. President Poole says friends and relatives of the men should not worry as the steamer will return at an early date with all on board.

MARINE NOTES.

Steamer Amur arrived this morning from Skagway. When she left the north the weather was fine, and it remained so during the voyage. A big freight and a good many passengers were carried on the north bound voyage, but a very limited number of people came south on the steamer.

A dispatch to the Times from Port Townsend says the schooner William P. Garms, Capt. Lapping, posted as overdue, arrived at Honolulu yesterday, 240 days from Newcastle.

Steamer Otter arrived this morning from the West Coast, where she had taken a cargo of machinery and lumber for the new mill at Clayoquot.

Tug Lorne is to-day towing the British ship Ditton to sea from Chemainus. The Ditton is bound for Antofogasta, and carried a very large cargo.

Hugh Logan, formerly of this city, has arrived from the Old Country, where he purchased a steam trawler for Vancouver parties.

PROVINCIAL NEWS.

VANCOUVER.

Vancouver's fire department has had a busy time during the past few days. The total damage sustained by fire is estimated at about $3,500.

W. S. Brandrith, of Ladner, who left on Monday for Ottawa on business connected with the Provincial Fruit Growers' Association, has received a communication from the secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society, London, drawing attention to the shows of colonial fruits and vegetable products which the society has initiated in the new exhibition hall, and asking W. Brandrith, as secretary of the B. C. Fruit Growers' Association, to co-operate in making the shows known among growers, shippers and others interested. It is pointed out that these shows have been undertaken by the society with a view to making known to Great Britain how well the colonies can supply home requirements of a horticultural nature. No entrance fee or other charge is made. The shows this year will be held on March 22nd to 24th, June 6th and 7th, December 4th and 5th. The first show has been fixed to suit growers in South Africa and India; the second is intended to suit Australia, Tasmania and New Zealand, and at the show on December 4th and 5th it is hoped to get the fruits of British Columbia, of the other parts of Canada, and of the West Indies, in the greatest possible perfection." The continuance of the shows depends on the interest evinced in those of the present year, because "poor shows of colonial produce give entirely erroneous notions of the Empire's greatness, resources and wealth, and it would obviously be better to give no such show than a poor one."

At a special meeting of the city council held Monday evening to consider the estimates several of the usual grants were eliminated, a number slightly increased, some held over and the contingent fund reduced $5,000. Among those laid over was the annual grant to the hospital, which was increased this year to $18,000. The grant to the Salvation Army Rescue Home of $800, which had been raised from $200, was also left over for further information. Those struck out were $100 to the W. C. T. U.; $100 to the Poultry & Pet Stock Association; $250 to the Kennel Club, and $1,000 to the Labor Day celebration. A motion to appropriate another $500 to the reception of Prince Arthur of Connaught to give a public gathering in the Hotel Vancouver, was voted down. The grants which passed were: Dominion Day, $1,000; band concerts, $600; Alexandra Orphanage, $1,500; Children's Aid Society, $1,500; raised from $1,000; Y. W. C. A., $200, raised from $200; Art, Historical and Scientific Association, $100; Salvation Army shelter, $400, raised from $200, on consideration of the Army relieving the city of casual cases; Tourist Association, $1,000; Victorian Order of Nurses, $300. The contingent fund of the finance committee was reduced from $35,000 to $30,000. The estimate of the park board, $26,700, passed in full, while that of the board of works also passed, the only reduction being $3,000 for bridges, leaving the amount at $9,000. When the board of works' estimate was completed, the council left the remainder over for the next session, which will be held on Thursday morning.

The contract for the construction of a fireproof central exchange on Seymour street, for the British Columbia Telephone Company, was awarded on Monday to Messrs. Baynes & Horie, contractors. Works will be started on the new building this week and pushed to completion. The building will be three stories in height, and will cost $45,000. The British Columbia Telephone Company desires a thoroughly fireproof building because it will install switchboards and equipment in it worth approximately $100,000, and moreover, the company recognizes that a fire at its central office involving the destruction of its equipment would mean a suspension of its service to the public for months.

PHOENIX.

Figuring by the month, for the first two months of 1906, the producing mines of the Boundary are keeping up the record of shipping ore at the rate of about one million and a quarter tons per annum, the total for January and February being close to 210,000 tons. Notwithstanding the fact that February is three days shorter than January, ordinarily giving a tonnage of 10,000 less than for the previous month, from detailed figures compiled, the total for the second month of 1906 is slightly larger than for the first month. Both the Granby and B. C. Copper companies shipped a little less than in January, but the Dominion Copper sent out a little more ore than in the previous month.

According to carefully prepared estimates 2,090 men are directly employed in the mines of the Boundary in the three district smelters and two railroads directly dependent upon the mines. In the mines themselves 1,046 are given employment, the smelters have about 600 men and the railways in the Boundary some 420 men on their pay rolls. The estimated pay roll is $200,000.

NEW WESTMINSTER.

"A new double cutting band saw, the largest of its kind on the Pacific Coast, has arrived at the Millside mills, and will be in operation in about four weeks from to-day," says the News. "At present only half of the mill is being used for cutting lumber, but when the new saw and the other machinery yet to arrive is installed, there will be buzzing activity from one end of the works to the other. The working staff will then be double what it is to-day, and the output will be increased to 200,000 feet per day of ten hours. The mill company has now five logging camps in operation, and is receiving a regular supply of material. Lester W. David, managing director of the big mill company, who has been away for the past two weeks, has returned to the city. Questioned about side industries, which it was reported some time ago, his company was contemplating, Mr. David said he had nothing new to announce just at present, as plans had not sufficiently matured, but that something might be expected to happen before very long."

SEARCH PARTY RETURNS.

Failed to Find Any Trace of James Haslam.

Chief Constable Stephenson and Provincial Constable Trawford returned last night from an extensive search of the waters between here and Mistaken Island in an effort to find some trace of James Haslam, or the boat in which he left here two weeks ago tomorrow for French creek," says the Nanaimo Herald. "The search was unsuccessful, for after closely examining the shores of Vancouver Island, and the small islands adjacent thereto, nothing whatever was found to indicate what misfortune happened Mr. Haslam after his departure from this city. Neither the fishermen along the coast waters, or settlers on the beach, who were questioned by Mr. Stephenson, had seen or heard anything of the unfortunate man, who it is feared has met his death in the cold waters of the Gulf."

MINERS' CONFERENCE.

Delegates Meet at Indianapolis to Discuss Situation.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 14.—The series of conventions and conferences at Indianapolis in which an effort is to be made to deal with the labor crisis in the coal industry was opened to-day by the sessions of the international executive board of the United Mine Workers. The miners' special convention will begin tomorrow. All of the delegates who have arrived in the city thus far seem confident that a grave situation confronts them. A majority believe that there will be a strike on April 1st. The delegates from the anthracite districts are following the example of leaders and are not talking.

President Mitchell said to-day that the anthracite miners would hold another convention. It will not be held until after the Indianapolis convention and joint conference.

The anthracite miners' joint scale committee will probably meet with the president to-night if the work of the international executive board is out of the way.

The international executive board session to-day was held behind closed doors. The board's purpose was to review that situation, and it was expected that before adjournment this evening it would tentatively outline the policy to be presented to the convention.

"A hypocrit," said Uncle Eben, "is a man dat gives pious thanks foh de dahk night dat favors his plan foh liftin' chickens."—Washington Star.

"I'm doin' me best t' relieve th' unemployd dis winter," said Meandering Mike. "Wot are youse doin' for 'em?" asked his friend Dismal Dave. "I'm tryin' ev'ry day not to git work," answered Meandering Mike.

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This distressing and unfortunately very common malady easily takes rank among the very "meanest" of the diseases to which people living in this climate are liable.

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Except in the cases where Pneumonia develops, La Grippe is seldom directly fatal; the real danger lies in the after effects. Even when the patient has fairly well recovered from an attack (and it is very hard to tell just when he has fully recovered) the muscles are relaxed, the nerves unstrung, the heart and lungs weak, the throat and bronchial tubes irritable and tender and the whole system depressed, run-down and in no condition to resist the attack of any other disease to which it may be exposed.

This condition is fraught with danger and demands instant and intelligent attention, the system must be built up and restored to a normal and healthy condition—advice easy to give, often very hard to follow.

The appetite is liable to be poor and the digestion impaired so that it is almost impossible to consume and digest sufficient ordinary food to do the work quickly and effectively. What is required is a concentrated food, palatable, easy to digest and containing the elements necessary to repair the waste which La Grippe has committed.

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA

TENDERS

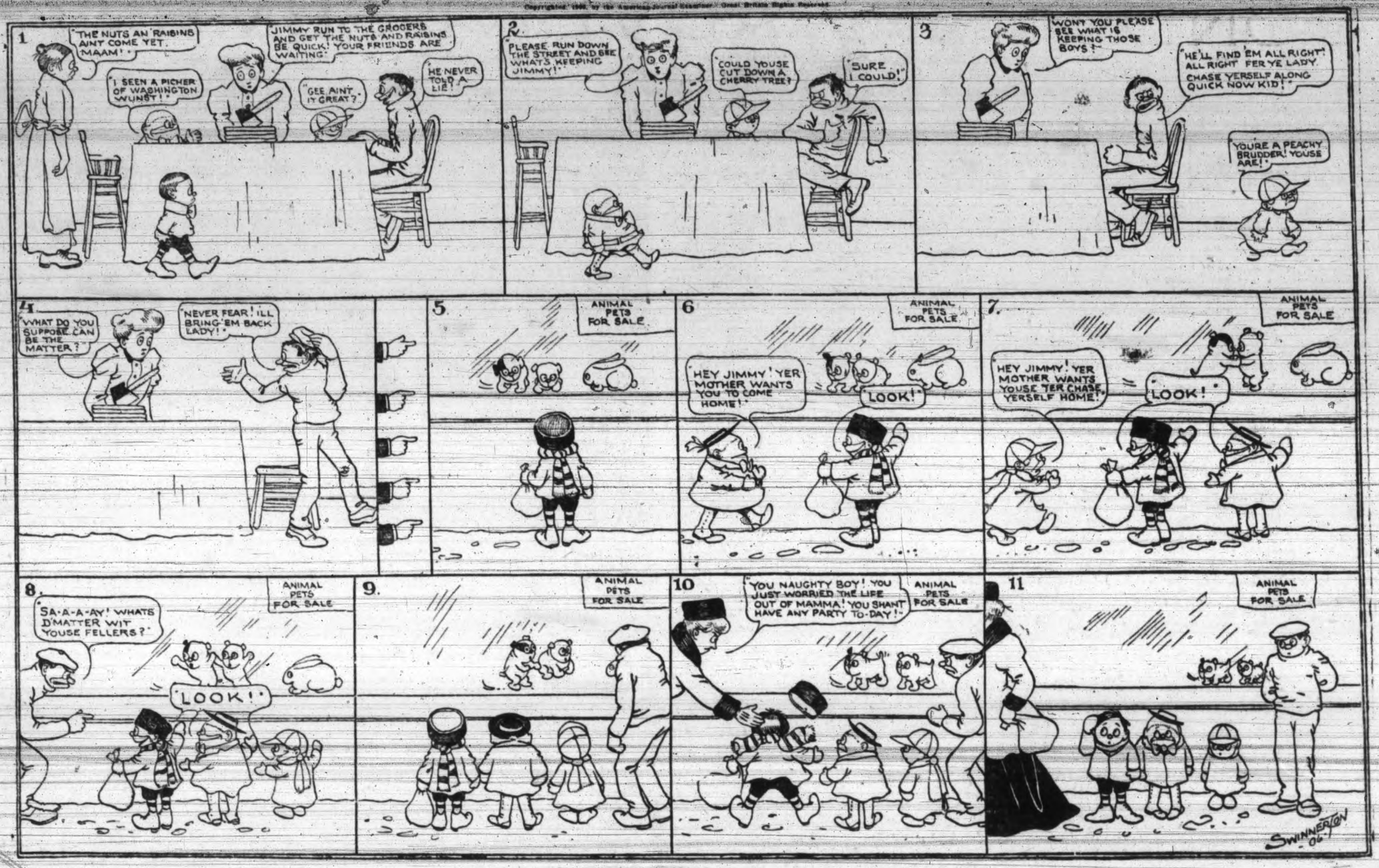
Sealed, endorsed and addressed to the undersigned, will be received up to 3 p. m. on Monday, the 2nd April, 1906, for the supplying of certain Water Meters, as per specification, copies of which can be obtained at the office of the purchasing agent, City Hall, Victoria, B. C.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent.

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THE TELLTALE LATHER.

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RATES for insertion in THE TIMES: All Classifications except Births, Marriages and Deaths, 1 cent per word per day; six insertions for the price of four: no advertisement taken for less than 25 cents.
TIME RATES ON APPLICATION.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

Any even numbered section of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the Northwest Provinces, excepting 8 and 26, not reserved, may be homesteaded upon by any person who is the sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years of age, to the extent of one-quarter section, of 160 acres, more or less.

Entry may be made personally at the local land office for the district in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires, he may, on application to the Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, the Commissioner of Immigration, Winnipeg, or the local agent for the district in which the land is situate, receive authority for some one to make entry for him.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES: A settler who has been granted an entry for a homestead is required to perform the conditions connected therewith under one of the following plans:

(1) At least six months' residence upon and cultivation of the land in each year during the term of three years.

(2) If the father (or, mother, if the father is deceased) of any person who is eligible to make a homestead entry under the provisions of this Act, resides upon a farm in the vicinity of the land entered for by such person as a homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence prior to obtaining patent may be satisfied by such person residing with the father or mother.

(3) If the settler has his permanent residence upon farming land owned by him in the vicinity of his homestead, the requirements of this Act as to residence may be satisfied by residence upon the said land.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT should be made at the end of three years, before the Local Agent, Sub-Agent or the Homestead Inspector.

Before making application for patent the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands at Ottawa, of his intention to do so.

SYNOPSIS OF CANADIAN NORTH-WEST MINING REGULATIONS.

Coal.—Coal lands may be purchased at $10 per acre for soft coal and $20 for anthracite. Not more than 320 acres can be acquired by one individual or company. Royalty at the rate of ten cents per ton of 2,000 pounds shall be collected on the gross output.

Quartz.—A free miner's certificate is granted upon payment in advance of $5 per annum for an individual and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet.

The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid, the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1 an acre.

The patent provides for the payment of a royalty of 2½ per cent. on the sales.

PLACER mining claims generally are 100 feet square; entry fee $5, renewable yearly.

A free miner may obtain two leases to dredge for gold of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable at the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2½ per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

W. W. CORY,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

N.B.—Unauthorized publication of this advertisement will not be paid for.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada, at the next Session thereof, for an Act to incorporate a Company under the name of "The Pacific and Eastern Railway Company," with power to construct, equip, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway of standard or other guage by means of steam, electricity or any other kind of motive power, from the City of Victoria, in the Province of British Columbia, thence northerly to a point at or near the northerly end of Vancouver Island by the most feasible route, thence to the Mainland to a point at or near Bute Inlet, thence easterly through the District of Cariboo, via the Yellow Head Pass, to Edmonton, thence easterly to a point at or near Prince Albert, thence northeasterly by the most feasible route to Fort Churchill on Hudson Bay; and also a branch line from Edmonton to Dunvegan on the Peace River, with such powers, rights, and privileges as are incidental or necessary thereto, including the power to build, purchase, charter or otherwise acquire steam and other vessels to be operated as ferries, and to operate such vessels as ferries at any point on the route of said railway where the operation of ferries may be considered necessary for or advantageous to the operation of said railway or its branches; and to construct, equip, maintain and operate telegraph and telephone lines in connection with the said railway and its branches, and to transmit messages for commercial purposes and to charge tolls therefor; and to generate electricity for the supply of light, heat and power, and to acquire and develop water powers for that purpose, and to lease, sell, distribute and otherwise dispose of the same; and to build, purchase, charter or otherwise acquire steam and other vessels for the carriage of passengers and freight; and to operate the same in connection with said railway; and to construct, operate and maintain irrigation canals; and to build, purchase, lease or otherwise acquire work and operate grain elevators and other warehouses and carry on a general warehousing business, and purchase grain and other freight, and sell or dispose of the same, and construct and maintain docks, dockyards, wharves and piers at any point on, or in connection with the said railway and at the termini thereof or at any port of call of any of the Company's vessels, for the accommodation of vessels, elevators and warehouses, and to build, purchase, lease or otherwise acquire hotels and theatres at any point or points along the line of said railway, and to maintain, operate and conduct such hotels and theatres; and to receive from any Government, person or Corporation in aid of the construction, equipment and maintenance of the said railway and of any line of steamships or vessels running in connection therewith, or otherwise, grants of land, bonuses, loans or gifts of money or securities for money, and to purchase or lease from any Government, person or Corporation any lands, rights or privileges, and dispose of such subsidies or aids in such manner as may be deemed most advantageous to said Railway Company; and to purchase, take over, lease or otherwise acquire the property, rights or franchises of any other Companies, and to lease or sell to any other Company the property, rights and franchises of the Company.

BELCOURT & RITCHIE,
Solicitors for the Applicants.
Dated at Ottawa, this 15th day of February, 1906.

MARINE IRON WORKS
PEMBROKE ST., VICTORIA, B. C.
ANDREW GRAY, Prop.
STOCK—We buy first hand for cash.
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TEST THE ABOVE STATEMENTS.
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TO LET.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

TO RENT—Furnished cottage, opposite St. Paul's church, Esquimalt road. Apply John Day. Phone 140.

TO LET—Housekeeping rooms, large, warm and sunny, in the Douglas House, Elliott street, one block from C. P. R. wharf and half block from Parliament Buildings.

WHEN ANSWERING advertisements under this heading please say that you saw this announcement in the Times.

TO LET—Furnished house, 14 Hillside avenue. Apply 73½ Government street.

TO LET—Comfortable bedrooms, or complete housekeeping rooms, 63 Superior street.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

CLEAN COTTON RAGS WANTED. Apply at Times Office.

KNIGHT'S HARDY EARLY CABBAGE PLANTS—50c. per 100, $1.00 for 200, $3.00 per 1,000. Mt. Tolmie Nursery, Victoria.

MISS M'WILLIE invites ladies shopping to step into the Grand Cafe, 77 Fort. Comfortable afternoon tea, 10c.; full dinner, 25c.

BEST JAPANESE PORCELAIN and fancy goods at Kawai Bros. Co., 6 Douglas street.

TO BE LET—40 Kane street, a large house, suitable for boarders; cheap.

LOST—Mink fur, March 10th, between 69 Carr street and the Post Office. Finder please notify Mrs. Stevenson, 69 Carr street.

LOST—English setter dog, from Alexander Monteith's house, Esquimalt road. Reward for return. Anyone found harboring him will be prosecuted.

COMPANIONS OF THE FOREST will hold a social dance in Sir William Wallace Hall, Thursday, the 15th.

LOST AND FOUND.

FOR SALE—Two lots running from Rae street to Churchway, easy terms. Apply S. Perry Mills, city.

STRAYED—From 29 Stanley avenue, Tuesday night, Gordon setter pup (dog). Finder will be rewarded on returning to above address.

LOST—On Belcher street, Saturday forenoon, a boy's military service cap, size 6¾. Please return to Mrs. Bass, 9 Mears street.

LOST—On Tuesday, one bundle of clothes. Return to Ah Jame, Head street, Victoria West.

LOST—Leather tobacco pouch, with initials B. B. Finder can keep tobacco (which is good) if he will leave pouch at 42 Fort street, and receive reward.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Licensing Board at its next sitting for a transfer of my retail liquor license for the premises known as the Albion Saloon, situate on the corner of Yates street and Waddington Alley, Victoria, B. C., to Gustave Moerman and Peter McLeod.

Dated this 4th day of January, 1906.

R. J. HILL,
By his attorney in fact,
J. W. CAREY.

Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners of the City of Victoria, at its next sitting, for a transfer of the license now standing in the names of the undersigned to sell spirituous and fermented liquors on the premises known as the "Regent Saloon," corner of Johnson and Douglas streets, Victoria City, to James Watson Meldrum, of Victoria City.

JAMES W. MELDRAM.
JOHN W. MELDRAM.
Victoria, 14th February, 1906.

During my absence from the city, R. S. BYRN holds my power of attorney.

W. A. WARD
PHONE 394. 92 WHARF ST.

B. C. Protestant Orphans Home

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Of subscribers to the above Home will be held in the Committee Room of the City Hall, Victoria, B. C., on Friday afternoon next, March 16th, at 4.30 o'clock, to receive reports from the various officers, elect management committee for the ensuing year, and transact such other business as shall be then brought forward.

WM. SCOWCROFT,
Hon. Sec.



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TO ELECTRICIANS

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 4 p. m. on the 19th inst. for installing, within the fire limits, ten telephones for the police department of the city, to be done in accordance with the specifications which can be seen in the purchasing agent's office at the City Hall.

WM. W. NORTHCOTT,
Purchasing Agent for the City of Victoria.
City Hall,
Victoria, B.C., March 13th, 1906.

WANTED—MALE HELP.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

ANY INTELLIGENT PERSON may earn a good income corresponding for newspapers; no canvassing; experience unnecessary. Send for particulars. Northern Press Syndicate, Lockport, N. Y.

WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

WANTED—Clean cotton rags, at Times Office.

WANTED—Old coats and vests, pants, boots and shoes, trunks, valises, shotguns, revolvers, overcoats, etc.; highest cash prices paid. Will call at any address. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 64 Johnson street, two doors below Government street.

WANTED—All kinds of bicycle repair work; all work guaranteed. J. T. Braden, 76 Douglas street. Estimates given on all plumbing and heating work.

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WANTED—An order for cleaning and laying carpets. F. Kroeger, 52½ Fort street.

WANTED—A trial order for repairing of furniture. F. Kroeger, 52½ Fort street.

WANTED—All organized labor to know that theatres, Watson, Grand and Savoy, employ only union musicians in their orchestras.

WANTED—To buy for cash, second-hand organ or melodeon. Apply by letter M. C. S., Room 5, Elsmere House, Pandora street.

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

EGGS FOR SETTING—The undersigned has the best lot of Plymouth Barred Rocks in these parts; price 75 cents per dozen. John C. Mollet, South Salt Spring, B. C.

FOR SALE—1 team of draught geldings, weight 29 cwt.; 1 general purpose horse, weigh. 12 cwt. Apply to Thos. Aitken, Maple Bay, B. C.

FOR SALE—An old established grocery business as a going concern. Apply to J. Moffat, 127 Douglas street.

FOR SALE—Cheap, new No. 3 Chatham incubator and brooder, ship carpenter's tools, blacksmith tools, antique mahogany chair, furniture, etc. At the Old Curiosity Shop, cor. Fort and Blanchard streets.

FOR SALE—Vest pocket revolver, 22 cal., $3.50; shotgun, 12 bore, $12; dancing slippers, $1; lady's long watch chain, $4.50; suits, $2.75; broad cloth pants, $2.50; drivers' dust coats, $1.50; shamrock badges, 5c. Jacob Aaronson's new and second-hand store, 64 Johnson street, two doors below Government street.

FOR SALE—120 acres of land known as Vesuvius Bay Village. It contains 1 mile frontage, 3 miles to Crofton. Three-quarters of a mile of free-sandstone quarries on the water front, together with coal rights. The sandstone can be seen at dry dock, Esquimalt. For particulars apply on the premises. E. J. Billancourt.

FOR SALE—A large float, 26x60 feet, suitable for boathouse or landing. Address Adams Bros., David street, city.

SUNLIGHT SOAP COUPONS WANTED—Toilet soaps given in exchange for these coupons by C. R. King & Son, 15 Wharf street, Victoria.

FOR SALE—Team horses and harness, suitable for farm work, two yearling heifers, two two-year-olds, one light platform spring wagon, almost new; also all kinds buggies and carts. Apply Fisher's Carriage Shop, Store St.

FOR SALE—If you want an incubator or brooder send your name and address to Box 194, Victoria. Your own time to pay for them. We pay freight.

FOR SALE—Naptha launch Blanch, of the following dimensions: Length, 25 ft., beam, 6 ft. 2 in.; depth, 2 ft., 6 in.; in first-class condition. For particulars apply to E. B. Marvin & Co., 14 Wharf street.

FOR SALE—10,000 ft. cable, 3c. it., any lengths. Wanted, a horse for general purposes; also wagons, farm implements, etc. At the Old Church, cor. Broad and Pandora streets. Phone A943.

WOOD AND COAL—At current prices. Johnston's Transfer & Fuel Co., 135 Douglas street. Tel. 606.

ENGINE FOR SALE—10 horse power. Can be seen in operation at the Times Building, 26 Broad street, running Times machinery.

LODGES.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 1, A. O. U. W., meets every second and fourth Wednesday in month at A. O. U. W. Hall. Members of Order visiting the city cordially invited to attend. R. Noble, M.W.

COURT CARIBOO, No. 743, I. O. F., meets in K. of P. Hall, corner Pandora and Douglas streets, on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Monday of every month, at 8 p. m. For information inquire of C. B. Deaville, Fin. Secy., at Melrose Co.'s, Fort street.

COURT VANCOUVER, 5755, A. O. F., meets first and third Mondays in K. of P. Hall, cor. Douglas and Pandora streets. S. Wilson, Secy., Michigan street, James Bay. Visiting brothers cordially invited.

NATIVE SONS—Post No. 1, meets K. of P. Hall, last Tues. of each month. A. E. Haynes, Secy., Bk. of Commerce Bldg.

BOARDS OF TRADE, Tourist Associations, etc., should consult us when preparing guide books, advertising literature, and all kinds of illustrated folders. We group photos artistically and guarantee best results. B. C. Photo-Engraving Co., 26 Broad street.

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BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR.

BUILDER & GENERAL CONTRACTOR. THOMAS CATTERALL, 16 Broad street. Building in all its branches; wharf work and general jobbing. Tel. 820.

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OUR ENAMELLING PLANT is entirely up-to-date. Old wheels made like new, at Harris & Moore's, 42 Broad street. Tel. B969.

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ALL KINDS OF BLACKSMITHING and wagon work done. Farming implements and machinery repaired. Wm. Dockings, 205 Government. Phone 233.

BOOT AND SHOE REPAIRING.

NO MATTER where you bought your shoes, bring them here to be repaired. Hibbs, 3 Oriental Ave., opposite Grand Theatre.

BOARD AND ROOMS.
Advertisements under this head a cent a word each insertion.

FURNISHED ROOMS—With board. Apply 35 Birdcage Walk.

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CONTRACTORS.

JOHN HAGGARTY—Contractor, 47 Discovery street. All kinds of teaming done and estimates given. When you want the scavenger to call 'phone us, 184.

CHAS. A. M'GREGOR, 85 Yates street. Jobbing trade a specialty. Twenty years' experience. Orders promptly filled.

COFFEE AND SPICES.

VICTORIA COFFEE AND SPICE MILLS—Office and mills, 148 Government St. A. J. Morley, proprietor.

CHIMNEY SWEEPING.

CHIMNEYS CLEANED—Defective flues fixed, etc. Wm. Neal, 32 Quadra street. 'Phone 1019.

LLOYD & CO.—Sweepers to H. M. Naval Yard, Jubilee Hospital, Dominion, Vernon and other first-class hotels. Orders taken at Gower & Wriggleworth's, 119 Douglas street. 'Phone 310. Prices sensible.

CUT FLOWERS.

SEEDS—New Sweet Peas. We have a few of the choicest new English varities and all the best of the old ones. Also seed of some of our perennials selected from our finest farms. Flewin's Flower Store.

YOKOHAMA BAZAAR—Beautiful Japanese lily bulbs just arrived; easily grown. 122 Government.

CHOICE CUT FLOWERS for any and every occasion. A. J. Woodward, greenhouses, Ross Bay. Tel. 285. Store, 23 Fort street. Tel. 918.

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CANTON BAZAAR, 106 Government St. Just arrived from China, exquisite embroidered and drawnwork table covers and doilies; also linen and silk embroidered goods, Chinese fire crackers, etc.

CUSTOMS BROKER.

J. LEEMING, Customs Broker and Forwarding Agent, 1 Fort street. Tel. 748; residence, 1135.

DANCING.

MRS. M'DOWELL'S Dancing Academy, Labor Hall, Douglas street. Social night, 8.30 Tuesday. Class night, 8 o'clock Thursday. Admission, 50c.; ladies free.

DENTISTS.

DR. LEWIS HALL, Dental Surgeon, Jewell Block, cor. Yates and Douglas streets, Victoria, B. C. Telephone—Office, 537; Residence, 122.

DISPENSING CHEMISTS.

CREAM OF ROSES—True to name and nature, makes the skin smooth and rosy, 25c. a bottle. Call up 630, we will send it. F. W. Fawcett, chemist, King's road and Douglas street.

DYEING AND CLEANING.

VICTORIA DYE WORKS, 116 Yates street. Dyeing and cleaning; modern plant; satisfaction guaranteed. Tel. 717.

B. C. STEAM DYEWORKS—Largest dyeing and cleaning establishment in the province. Country orders solicited. Phone 200. Hearns & Renfrew.

ENGRAVING.

GEORGE CROWTHER, engraver and stencil cutter, 12 Wharf street, opposite Post Office.

EDUCATIONAL.

IF YOU WANT thorough instruction in shorthand, typewriting, bookkeeping, take a course at The Shorthand School, 15 Broad street, Victoria, B. C. E. A. Macmillan, principal.

FANCY GOODS.

ORIENTAL BAZAAR, 90 Douglas street, now re-opened. Immense selection of Japanese fancy goods; many new things. A. Wambe.

FURRIER.

FRED. FOSTER, taxidermist and furrier, 42½ Johnson street.

—FOR—

Good Dry Wood
—GO TO—
Burt's Wood & Coal Yard

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CANADIAN CASUALTY AND BOILER INSURANCE CO. insures against all accidents and sickness. No restrictions. C. S. Baxter, Dist. Agent, 53 Wharf St.

DEATH—Before insuring, do not omit to investigate terms of an old, well tried company like the Metropolitan Life. J. T. Fahay, Supt., Rooms 6 and 7, Metropolitan Bldg., Victoria.

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CUTE ON & CO., 114 Yates street. Dressmaking, ladies' and children's. All kinds sewing done to order. Neat and careful work.

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VICTORIA STEAM LAUNDRY, 152 Yates street. Telephone 112. Satisfaction guaranteed. Our wagons call everywhere.

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RAYMOND & SONS, Dealers in Lime, Plaster Paris, Brick, Fire Brick and Vancouver Island Cement. 3 Pandora street, Victoria, B. C.

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MONEY TO LOAN—On easy terms, on approved security, in sums to suit. Apply P. O. Drawer 616, city. Applications treated confidentially.

$5,000 TO LOAN—On city real estate, first mortgage. Apply "Money," P. O. Box 423.

MONEY TO LOAN on all kinds of approved security. Unredeemed pledges for sale, cheap, at 45 Johnson street.

MACHINISTS.

L. HAFER, General Machinist, No. 150 Government street. Tel. 930.

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MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.

HICKS & LOVICE PIANO CO.—Agents for "Mason & Risch" pianos, the Pianola piano, the Orchestrelle. 124 Hastings street, Vancouver, B. C. Phone 1241.

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A LADY would give piano lessons on reduced terms; experienced; thorough instruction. Apply 215 Pandora street.

MONUMENTS.

GRANITE AND MARBLE WORKS—Estimate given for monuments, etc. J. E. Philips, 74 and 76 View street. Tel. B1207.

PATENTS.

PATENTS—Egerton R. Case, Temple Building, Toronto. R. L. Drury, Esq., M. P. P., reference.

PAPERHANGING.

WALLPAPERS—New designs. It is very desirable to do paperhanging before the spring rush. Jos. Sears, 91, 93 Yates street.

PLUMBING.

VICTORIA PLUMBING CO.—Famous for quick work, thorough work, and fair charges. 144 Yates St. Tel. A813.

C. M. COOKSON, plumbing and gasfitting; jobbing promptly attended to. Agent for Hydro Carbon Light, also Best Light; all kinds of gasoline lamps and fittings. Gasoline at lowest price in special auto cans. 97 Johnson street. Tel. 674.

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City Hall, Victoria, B.C., March 13, 1906.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In the Matter of the "Quieting Titles Act," and in the Matter of Lot 781, Victoria City.

Take notice that Charles Graham Wylly has this day made application to the Honorable Mr. Justice Irving, pursuant to the above Act, that his title to the above lands be judicially investigated and for a declaration that he is the legal and beneficial owner of said land in fee simple.

And further take notice that the said Honorable Mr. Justice Irving has decided to grant a declaration of title under the said Act to the said property and to sign the same six months after the first publication of this notice in the British Columbia Gazette, and Victoria Daily Times, and Victoria Daily Colonist, newspapers, unless cause be shown to the contrary in the meantime.

Notice of intention to show cause must be filed in the Victoria Registry of this Court on or before the 16th July, 1906.

Dated this 15th day of February, 1906.
BODWELL & LAWSON,
Of 34½ Government Street, Victoria, B.C., Solicitors for Charles Graham Wylly.

Notice is hereby given that we have deposited with the Minister of Public Works, Ottawa, and the Registrar-General of Titles, Victoria, B. C., plans, and descriptions of site, of works proposed to be constructed by the Victoria Chemical Company, Limited Liability, of Victoria aforesaid, in Victoria harbor, immediately fronting Lots 1367, 1368 and 1369; and further take notice that we have, on behalf of the said Company, applied to the Governor in Council for approval thereof.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 24th day of February, 1906.

LANGLEY & MARTIN,
59 Government Street, Victoria, B.C.,
Solicitors for the Applicants.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Industrial Power Co. of British Columbia, Limited, will be held at the office of Bodwell & Lawson, Government street, Victoria, B. C., on Saturday, the 17th day of March, 1906, at the hour of 10 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of authorizing the sale of the Company's undertaking and the transfer of the assets of the Company to the Canadian Industrial Company, Limited, and the execution of such documents as may be necessary to effect such sale and transfer, and to appoint Directors of the Company; and to pass such other resolutions as may be necessary by reason of or to carry out said sale, and to do such other business as may be necessary.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 1906.
PERCY CRIDDLE,
Secretary.

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PENDER ISLAND—75 acres bottom land, water frontage, part Section 1; price $600.

NORTH DAIRY—6 acres, mostly clear, Cedar Hill cross road; price $775.

DENMAN ISLAND, COMOX DISTRICT—144 acres, 35 pasture, orchard, on salt water, good land, 8 room house, barns; price $1,800.

COTTAGE—50 acres, at Tyee Station, 7 acres cultivated, 8 pasture; price only $2,600.

SUBURBAN—2½ acres in fruit, 7 room dwelling, good water; price $2,750.

OAK BAY—Acreage and lots; also several cottages.

COTTAGE—Fronting Beacon Hill park, 2 lots in orchard, dwelling has electric light and is sewered; terms easy; price $1,500.

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TO LET—Cottage and 2 lots, Oak Bay, on water front; rent moderate.

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FOR SALE—A 6 roomed cottage and one lot on Stanley avenue, with all modern conveniences. (751.)

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FOR SALE—New modern bungalow, with all modern conveniences, and close to Central school. (792.)

FOR SALE—Two acres of choice land at Shoal Bay. (2215.)

FOR SALE—½ acre on Oak Bay avenue, cheap. (2264.)

FOR SALE—Saanich, eleven miles from the city, 50 acres, of which 35 are cultivated, 8 roomed house, barns, 20 fruit trees; terms and price on application (2771.)

FOR SALE—Metchosin District, 102 acres all fenced, 5 acres cleared, 15 acres bottom land, dwelling of 2 rooms. (2852.)

FOR SALE—Somenos District, 160 acres, 100 acres of good bottom land, 1½ acres of orchard; this is a bargain. (2851.)

FOR SALE—In centre of city, large modern dwelling and three city lots, having a frontage of two principal streets, well adapted for large boarding house, school or hospital; cost $15,000; our price, $10,500. (652.)

FOR SALE—Three and a half acres, all under cultivation, and dwelling of 6 rooms; this is within fifteen minutes' walk of car. (3152.)

FOR SALE—Stanley avenue, new modern house of 7 rooms, corner lot, all modern conveniences, will make any reasonable terms. (591.)

FOR SALE—A snap in business property, producing $1,000 per year gross, and we are offering it for $12,500. (3555.)

FOR SALE—North Pandora street, 8 roomed dwelling and lot 50x107, only $1,200. (715.)

FOR SALE—Modern bungalow and two city lots, in best part of town, to be sold at nearly 30 per cent. below cost. (654.)

TO LEASE—60 acres, in South Saanich, overlooking the sea, 40 acres cultivated, new house of 7 rooms, barn, etc.

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FOR SALE—The only choice lots left in the Douglas Gardens. (2.095.)

TO RENT—To let, cheap to good tenant, bar and twenty-two large and well lighted rooms, steam heated. (R.)

FOR SALE—45 acres on the Kokoslah river, all good soil, and stream runs through property. (2833.)

FOR SALE—137 acres at Vesuvious Bay, about 7 acres under cultivation, and good water frontage. (2832.)

FOR SALE—Modern 7 roomed dwelling and two lots, on corner, at a bargain. (754.)

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INSURANCE INQUIRY

Superintendent Fitzgerald Gives Further Evidence Before the Committee.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 15.—The insurance commission met again to-day. Mr. Fitzgerald, the superintendent of insurance, was again examined. He said three companies that had certain securities had been released, because they had an excess amount deposited. They were the Aetna, the Imperial and the Manufacturers.

The following companies sent information to Mr. Fitzgerald in reference to salaries and remuneration paid directors and agents over $2,000: Royal Victoria, London Life, Home Life, National Life, Central Life, Excelsior Life, Mutual Life of Canada, Union Mutual of Portland, Me., Federal Life, Continental Life, Northern Life, Imperial Life, Commercial Travellers, Union Life, Ancient Order Manufacturers Life, and C. M. B. A.

The Standard Life Insurance wrote refusing to give the information. The manager held that as the institution was a proprietory one they were only responsible for salaries to the proprietors.

The expense for salaries was not larger than other companies. The management belonged to partners in the business. It would just be as well for the department to ask what the officials did with their salaries.

The London and Lancashire practically refused, and the Canada Life promised to give the information, but it was not yet to hand.

The Sun Life said that if others were supplying the information it would. Several companies objected because it would create jealousies among the officers. The more an agent made on commission the better it was for the company.

Mr. Fitzgerald said that if bonds and debentures showed the source from which they were received, such as having the broker's name on top, the department took notice of it.

The question of checking and inspecting was then reached. He gave two instances of two companies which tried to evade the law. The bank pass book showed a large deposit on December 30th and again on January it showed about the same amount withdrawn. Premium notes were taken to the bank and deposited as cash and the same amount later on was charged back. This was about 16 years ago. About 12 years ago another company did not desire to show an overdraft in December in the statement and they took a large number of debentures from the vault and sold them to cover the overdraft. That was put to the credit of the company and reversed in January.

In reply to Mr. Longmuir, Mr. Fitzgerald said that he never asked for an interim statement so as to see that no bonds or notes were transferred between the inspections. He was of the opinion that the act could be changed so as to make companies give a return of bonds purchased or loans made during the year.

GUILTY OF EMBEZZLEMENT.

(Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., March 15.—Former State Auditor David E. Sherrick, today was found guilty of embezzlement. Sherrick was tried on indictments charging the misuse of $127,000 belonging to the state. He resigned on the demand of the governor, and the money has since been refunded.

MR. WILSON RETURNING.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, March 15.—Charles Wilson, K. C., formerly attorney-general in the McBride government, left for Vancouver to-day.

—Frank Higgins left last night for San Francisco on legal business. This, it is said, includes the collection of fees due him for his activity as counsel for the state of California in the Collins extradition. Mr. Higgins, it will be recalled, waged a very hard fight to secure the return of the 'Frisco lawyer to his native city, and in view of the length of time the proceedings occupied his fee will necessarily be a large one. He bears power of attorney for Mrs. Blygh, the stenographer, who was engaged in the extradition proceedings. Mrs. Blygh's duties were unusually heavy, and her fee also is expected to be large.

PRESIDENT MITCHELL'S ADDRESS.

Outlines Incidents Which Led to Calling of Convention of Miners.

(Associated Press.)

Indianapolis, Ind., March 15.—At the national convention of the United Mine Workers of America, called by President Mitchell to consider action which may result in an agreement with the operators, the president delivered an address. Mr. Mitchell said:

"It seems quite proper that I should report the principal incidents and causes which prompted the call for this extraordinary meeting of the United Mine Workers of America, and in addition thereto, make some suggestions for your guidance, which may facilitate the work of the convention and I hope may prove helpful in re-establishing our relations with the operators upon a basis which will be just to them, reasonably satisfactory to the great constituency we represent, and at the same time properly considerate of the welfare of the entire country whose interests cannot be disregarded with impunity by any class of citizens regardless of its strength or influence."

Mr. Mitchell told of his conferences in New York last December with Francis L. Robbins, president of the Pittsburg Coal Company, and with other operators. At these conferences he said the question of their disagreement upon the wage scale, was discussed in an informal way. He also held conference with several of the leaders in the miners' movement.

"As a result of these meetings," Mr. Mitchell continued, "we came to believe that there had been such changes in the coal trade or at least in the attitude of many operators as to justify the hope that there was a possibility of reaching an agreement, providing the conventions reconvened.

"Aside, however, from my own impressions and of those of my colleagues with whom I consulted, the letter from the President of the United States addressed to Mr. Robbins and to me, seemed sufficient justification to warrant ourselves and our employers in making another effort to reach an agreement."

Mr. Mitchell then read President Roosevelt's letter, in which the President expressed his concern over the failure of the miners' convention on joint interstate arguments to reach a basis of settlement of the bituminous mining scale of wages, and urging both sides to make another effort to avert the threatened strike.

THE MANNHEIM ARRIVES.

Steamer Which Rescued Part of Crew of British King Reached New York.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 15.—The steamer Mannheim, which rescued part of the crew of the steamer British King which sank near Sable Island last Sunday, arrived here to-day.

Eighteen Drowned.

New York, March 15.—Eleven survivors of the steamer British King arrived on board the Mannheim to-day. They reported that probably 18 of their shipmates were drowned when the British King sunk. Eighteen survivors arrived at Boston yesterday on the steamer Bostonian, where it was reported that the lost steamer carried 56 persons.

Third Officer Sayer, who was among the saved by the Mannheim, said today that he does not believe that the full complement was on board his steamer, as nine of the crew deserted before the British King sailed from this port last Tuesday. He believed that not more than 18 were drowned.

The eleven men who reached the lifeboat which carried them to the Mannheim, jumped from the deck of the sinking steamer into the sea, where they kept afloat by swimming until the lifeboat picked them up.

Speaking of the manner in which the leak was started on the British King, Sayer said that a dead light was smashed.

AT A STANDSTILL.

Sessions of the Moroccan Conference Have Not Been Resumed.

(Associated Press.)

Algeciras, March 15.—The Moroccan situation is unchanged. A complete deadlock prevails. The conference is not holding any sessions, and it is not known when the delegates will reassemble. The interruption of the discussion is due to the lack of elasticity in the French and German instructions.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

New Yorker Killed Actress and Then Ended His Own Life.

(Associated Press.)

New York, March 15.—Louis Nosser locked his wife in a bathroom to-day, and while she was a prisoner there shot and killed Stella Reynold, of New Orleans, an actress, who was a visitor at their home, and then killed himself. Miss Reynolds, it was said, was formerly an intimate friend of Nosser.



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To Work on the V., V. & E. Railroad—Right-of-Way Through Princeton.

A dispatch from Midway says: "Although the contractors have not the number of men required for construction, it is announced that J. H. Kennedy, chief engineer of the Victoria, Vancouver & Eastern railroad, to be constructed between Midway & Princeton, B. C., is making headway. He states that contracts will soon be let at Princeton.

"Major Anderson, right-of-way agent, says the strip through the city of Princeton will be four hundred feet wide, and that he will close the deal in a few days. He is with Mr. Kennedy at Princeton, where they will remain several days."

WINNIPEG CLEARINGS.

(Associated Press.)

Winnipeg, March 15.—The bank clearings for the week ending to-day were $6,385,663. The clearings for the same week last year were $5,396,844, and in 1904 $4,058,135.

Great Britain spends on tobacco and pipes about £14,000,000 every year.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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TO LET—Well furnished house, modern in every respect, on car line. Apply B. C. Land & Investment Agency, Ltd., 40 Government street.

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Nottinghams from, per pair, $1.65 to 15.00

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54-inch and 72 inch Madras, White, per yard 65c
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